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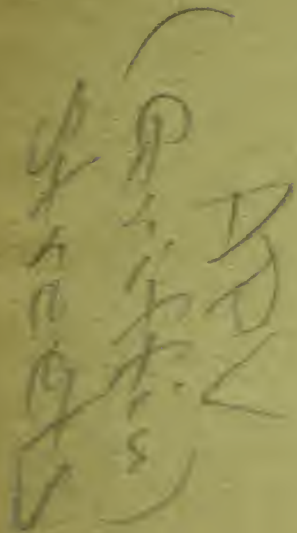

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AND

## HIS DESCENDANTS TO THE SEVENTH GENERATION.

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## INTRODUCTORY NOTE.

There is a statement in one of the books of Robert Louis Stevenson, that the proper summit of any Cambrian pedigree is a prince. I can give no better reason than this for the claim that has been made that we are descended from Llewelyn ap Gruffydd, the last Prince of Wales. For my part, I have not been able to trace the family beyond the narrow confines of Delaware. In that State they were "children of the soil." They are characterized in deed and will as "yeomen" and "planters."

Griffith is a very common surname in the county directories of Wales. Griffin, the English corruption of the same name, is seldom seen in those books, but is quite common in the English border counties.

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## THE FAMILY TRADITION.

Why does the number three appear in so many family traditions; as, for instance, "there were three brothers?" Three is the holy number of the old Chaldeans, and its use may be a mysticism inherited from remote ancestors. We are also told that the early Britons had a passion for the figure 3.

In the tradition of the Griffin family three brothers came from Wales and settled in Delaware. This story has been handed down through several lines of descent, and is substantially the same in its several versions. Yet, it is apparently unsubstantiated by any documentary evidence; in fact, the evidence of the public records is in direct variance with the tradition. It is not to be supposed, however, that it is altogether an invention—that it had no foundation in facts. There must have been some reason for its existence, which careful investigation may discover. Most traditions, even when founded upon real events, become so modified after being transmitted orally through several generations, as to be as far from the truth as the story of the "three black crows."

All our chroniclers are agreed that three brothers came from Wales. I will show later that they were a part of a larger family, and it can almost be

proven that all were born in this country. Why three, only, are remembered may be explained, I think, by the fact that these alone, as far as is known, left descendants of the name in Delaware. Why the father failed to impress his personality upon his posterity, and was so soon forgotten, may also be explained, I think, by the circumstance of his early death, while his children were young. With all recollection of an earlier generation obliterated by reason of his early death, it would have been natural for the later generations to look upon the heads of their respective lines as the founders of the family in this country. This undoubtedly is the correct explanation of the three brothers, emigrants, in the tradition.

One legend relates that they brought their aged parents with them "in cribs or cradles." I have no explanation to offer for this remarkable story. It rests upon the authority of Sarah Cowgill, the Quakeress preacher and abolitionist. This story, which is accredited to her, is the only one that makes any mention of the first generation ; all other accounts begin with the second generation.

Sarah Cowgill was of the fourth generation, and was born before the death of her grandfather, William Griffin, who, according to her, was one of the emigrants. William was the oldest of the children of Samuel Griffin. Although unmarried at the time of his father's death, he was old enough to

have land settled upon him, and was probably nearing the time when young men married in those days. Sarah Cowgill was seven years old when her grandfather died; she lived to be 88 years old. She should have been, therefore, a valuable repository of family lore.

One source of our information says that William Griffin changed the spelling of his name to conform to the pronunciation of his English neighbors. Another relates that two of the brothers wrote the name Griffin, whilst "a third would always write his name Griffith, different from the rest." This statement is correct. In the line of Samuel, the elder branch of which remained in Delaware, the name of Griffith was retained in the family records until about 1780, when Griffin was substituted. Griffith often appears in public documents pertaining to this line.

In regard to the name itself, it is from the Welsh word *gruff* (pronounced *greef*), and which Jones, in "Cymri of the Revolution," says, means "fierce, terrible," whilst Anderson, in "Genealogy and Surnames," says, signifies "having great faith." The correct Welsh spelling is Gruffydd, the Anglicised Welsh is Griffith, and the English is Griffin.

Some decades ago the family was infected with the "fortune-in-chancery" disease. There was in connection with this malady an awakening of family interest which emigration westward was gradually

obliterating. Old pedigrees were hunted up, old records were searched for, old members were interviewed to prove descent in order to share in this mythical fortune. It has been my good fortune to read many of the old letters that were written during that period. The information which I obtained from them has been considerable.

## "SAMUEL GRIFFIN, OF NEW CASTLE COUNTY ON DELAWARE, PLANTER."

(1) SAMUEL GRIFFIN, born ——; died December, 1729, in New Castle county, on Duck Creek; married, —— ——.

CHILDREN.[1]

(2) I. William, born ——; died 1771; married Eleanor ——.

(3) II. James, born ——; died between 1729 and 1746. He was living at the date of the father's will, but was not a signer of the deed of division.

[1] The names of the children were taken from Samuel Griffin's will, and from the deed of division of the Kent county property. There is no record found of the division of the property in New Castle county. The early records of this county are defective. In relation to this matter, the solicitor of the city of Wilmington wrote me as follows: "At the time when the British captured Washington, it is said, that all our records were removed, some people say to Lancaster, others to York, Pa., in order to keep them from falling into the hands of the enemy. They were never all returned to New Castle county after the war. It is said that all the records, prior to 1809, of the settlements of accounts in the Register's Office disappeared in this way, as well as eight or ten of the Deed Records in our Recorder's Office." The records of the county are not only incomplete, but they are badly indexed.

I have also read that during the Revolutionary War, Knyphausen's Hessians plundered the county-seat and carried away some of the records, and that part of them were afterwards recovered in the State of New York.

(4) III. Elizabeth, born ——; died ——; married Alexander Chance.

(5) IV. George, born ——; died 1751; married Rebecca Rees.

(6) V. Samuel, born ——; died 1769; married Martha ——.

(7) VI. Amy (Noomy), born ——; died ——; married William Carpenter.

(8) VII. John, born ——; died ——; married Mary Rees.

(9) VIII. Matthew, born ——; died 1773; married Lydia Howell.

Samuel Griffin was probably the emigrant. He is the first of this line, as far as is known, in this country. What time he arrived in "The Three Lower Counties," and whence he came, I have not been able to ascertain. All the information we possess of him, or nearly all, has been derived from the records of the county courts.

We learn from the archives of New Castle county that Samuel Griffin and John Taylor purchased jointly, 2 September, 1707, of Edward Williams, a tract of land in Appoquinimink hundred, New Castle county, containing 400 acres. This land was the east end of a larger tract of 700 acres, called "Exchange," formerly belonging to and taken up by Thomas Harris and William Osborne, and lying on the north side and along the main branch of

Duck Creek. Edward Williams bought the land from William Osborne, 1 February, 1706.

The property is further defined in the deed as bounded on the west by a straight line of division running north and south, and extending from the smaller to the main line of Duck Creek and from that said line westerly[2] [easterly], taking in all the land and marsh contained in the fork of the said main and smaller run of Duck Creek Mill. It was bought for forty-five pounds "lawful money of Pennsylvania." In the deed Samuel Griffin is called of "Duck Creek in the county aforesaid." The property lay along the lower border of the county, the main branch of Duck Creek being the dividing line between the counties.

We next find Samuel Griffin's name appended as a witness, along with his land partner, John Taylor, to the will of "James Withe, of Duck Creek in New Castle County." The will is dated 1 January, 1709. He signed his name to this document as "Samuel Grifing," which manner of spelling he adhered to when he signed his will, except that there he doubled the f.

"February 10, and in the year of Christianity, 1728," he purchased a tract of land on the south

[2] This is evidently a mistake, either in the original or in the copy. As the western boundary was a straight line running north and south the land must have extended eastward from that line, and this is the lay of the land to take in all in the fork mentioned.

side of Duck Creek, in Kent county. The deed for this land is recorded at Dover, and in it he is called "Samuel Griffin of New Castle County on Delaware, planter." He is the first Griffin whose name appears on the records of Kent county. This tract contained 125 acres, and was bought of Edward Grumley, who had inherited it from his father, Benjamin Grumley. He paid for it thirty-nine pounds, "good money of America." In the language of the deed, the land was situate on the right side of a branch issuing out of Duck Creek, "called formerly Pairman's Branch, now Gravelly Run," and was bounded by lands of John Cook. This is the tract of land which Samuel Griffin mentions in his memorandum as having given to his son William. For some reason William Griffin did not retain possession of it. On 16 May, 1746, the date, probably, when Matthew, the youngest of the children, attained his majority, this property was conveyed to Samuel Griffin, the second of that name, for eighty-one pounds.

The original of this deed of division is still in the possession of a descendant of the second Samuel. It was from it that the names of the children of the first Samuel, who were living at the date of its execution, were obtained. All but three of the signers attested their names with their mark. The signers were William (who wrote his name "Griffng") and Eleanor, his wife; John and Mary, his wife (both of

whom appended their mark to the name of Griffith); Alexander Chance and Elizabeth, his wife ("quondam Elizabeth Griffin"); William Carpenter and Amy, his wife ("quondam Amy Griffin." She wrote her first name Noomy, as it appears in the father's memorandum); George (who wrote his name georg Griffen) and Rebecca, his wife; and Matthew (who made his mark). The deed recites that this "tract of land was conveyed by Edward Grumley to Samuel Griffin, deceased." In 1748, Samuel, the second, conveyed the same tract to William White. The land is located south of the town of Smyrna, below the Mill pond, and towards Leipsic. Gravelly Run[3] separates it from the estate called "Belmont," belonging to the descendants of John Cook.

Samuel Griffin's will (or memorandum) is on file at Wilmington, the county-seat of New Castle county. It is dated 17 December, and was probated 19 December, at New Castle, the then county-seat. He, therefore, died on either the 17th or 18th of that month. A copy of the will, with its unique spelling, is here given. The attorney who made the

[3] It is interesting to note in this connection, as matter of local interest, that Gravelly Run is said to have been navigable, formerly, for vessels of light draught; that during the Revolutionary War a British vessel came near enough to the Belmont estate to shoot a lookout stationed on the top of the house. The stream had a fine, gravelly bottom, hence the name. It is now silted up with mud, and it is doubtful if anything drawing more water than a duck could navigate it without running aground.

copy was of the opinion that it was written by the testator himself. It is apparently unsigned, there being no signature in the usual place at the end of the writing.[4] Although probated, it seems as if the first paragraph, at least, was not executed.

"December 17th day, 1729.

"Samuel Griffings Last Will and Testament.

"A memborandum of what Things I have given Them.

"To my son William Griffing one sertain Tract of Land lying on the South side of Duck Creek which I bought of Edward Grumley . . . . . 40 : 0 : 0

"One bay gelding one black mare one pare of axon one heffer . . . . . 20 : 0 : 0

"To my son James Griffing one black gelding one mare one pare of axon and one heffer and one feather bed one Iron pott . . . . . 20 : 0 : 0

"To my daughter Elizabeth one Sorrill mare and one young hors of a year and a half old . . . . . 7 : 0 : 0

"To my daughter Noomy Griffing one black mare . . 5 : 0 : 0

"Likewise it is my Desire That my wife should morgage This plantation att the Spring of The year To the Loan office when the money is Let out for money To Clear hir of hir incombrances for it is my desire That everybody should be paid what I owe for it is my wish every one should have thir own if it pleas god That I shall Dye att this time The Lord receive my sould for I desire and hope I shall dye in peace with god and in unity with all men and itt is

[4] Where the statutes require a document to be subscribed to, the signature must be at the end. This is the law in some of our States. But where it is only required to be signed, it may be made under one's signature as legally as over it. It was not an infrequent usage formerly to thus append the signature.

my Desire That all my children should have an Equill part alike as neare as they can.

"Tested by me and

"WILLIAM BURTON

"JAMES GRIFFING

"ELIZABETH GRIFFING."

"Proved before Richard Cantwell, Decr. 19, 1729."

I think it may be concluded, from the evidence we possess, that Samuel Griffin died suddenly of an acute disease, while in the prime of life, leaving several young children, and that none of them was married at the time of his death. It is probable that all his children were born in this country. That William was the oldest and Matthew the youngest hardly admits of a doubt.

If it be conceded that Matthew attained his majority in 1746, the year of the deed of division (all the other children were married at that time, except Matthew, who is called "Batchelor"), the year of his birth would be 1725. Allowing an average interval between the birth of each child of two and a half years, and assuming that none died, the year of the birth of William would be 1707, the year the land was purchased on Duck Creek.

To all people to whom this shall come, I Edward Williams of Appoquinimy Creek in New Castle County upon Delaware, yeoman, sendeth greeting Whereas, there is a certain tract of Land lying and being in New Castle County upon Delaware situate upon the North side of the main branch of Duck Creek being the East end of a tract of seven hundred acres, formerly belonging to and taken up by Thomas Harris and William Osborne and called by the name of the

Exchange, and the said East end being four hundred acres and bounded on the West side by a straight line of division running North and South and extending from the smaller to the main line of Duck Creek formerly run between the said Thomas Harris and William Osborne through the said tract of seven hundred acres dividing the said four hundred from the other three hundred acres and from that said line Westerly taking in all the land and marsh contained in the fork of the said main and smaller run of Duck Creek Mill falling to William Osborne was by him sold and made over in Court at New Castle to the aforesaid Edward Williams by good, firm and lawful conveyance bearing date the first day of February, 1706 as reference thereunto being had may more at large appear.

Now Know ye, that the aforesaid Edward Williams for and in consideration of the sum of forty-five pounds lawful money of Pensilvania to me in hand paid and secured to be paid by John Taylor and Samuel Griffin both of Duck Creek in the county aforesaid before the ensealing and delivery hereof the receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledge, have given, granted, [etc.], and by these presents from me and my heirs forever doth fully and absolutely give, grant, [etc.], unto the said John Taylor and Samuel Griffin and their heirs forever the afore recited Tract of Land four hundred acres, To Have and to hold the said tract with all and singular the priveleges and improvements and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining, with all the right, title, interest, property claims or demands of him the said Edward Williams or his assigns unto them the said John Taylor and Samuel Griffin and their heirs unto the proper use and behoof of them the said John Taylor and Samuel Griffin their heirs, executors, administrators and assigns forever, free and clear of all former Deeds, sales, mortgages, dower-rights and other incumbrances whatsoever, or otherwise by the said Edward Williams or his heirs, executors and administrators to be sufficiently indemnified and saved harmless of and from the same according to law and common usage in like sales (the quit rents due from the same to the Proprietor only excepted) and the said Edward Williams doth hereby covenant and grant for himself, his heirs, executors and administrators to and with the said John Taylor and Samuel Griffin their heirs and assigns that they the said John Taylor and Samuel Griffin their heirs or assigns may hence-

forth freely have, hold, possess and enjoy the abovementioned four hundred acres of land and premises fully and peaceably to their own use and to the use and behoof of their heirs to be sufficiently saved harmless and indemnified from the suits or molestation of any manner of person or persons whatsoever claiming or to claim by, from or under him the said Edward Williams his heirs or assigns. And the said Edward Williams doth further covenant and agree to and with the said John Taylor and Samuel Griffin their heirs or assigns to make do and execute and further deed, acts or acknowledgment as may be for the better securing and confirming the said John Taylor and Samuel Griffin and their heirs in the quiet and peaceful possession of the above granted premises when the same shall be lawfully and reasonably required, provided it be within the term of twenty years from the date hereof, the said John Taylor and Samuel Griffin being at the cost and charges thereof. And further I do hereby appoint my trusty friends James Hayes and Absalom Cuff, or either of them my true and lawful attorneys for me and in my name to deliver this in open Court to the use of the above named John Taylor and Samuel Griffin or either of them for the use above expresst. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this second day of September in the year one thousand seven hundred and seven.

EDWARD WILLIAMS [SEAL].

Signed and sealed in the presence of Absalom Cuff, John Wann, Joseph England, Caleb Offley.

Acknowledged in open Court held at New Castle, in and for New Castle County upon Delaware the nineteenth day of August, 1708.

Certified under my hand.

WILL. TONGE, *Cl'k of C't.*

This Indenture made this 10th day of February and in the year of Christianity 1728, Between Edward Grumley of the County of Kent on Delaware of the one part and Samuel Griffin of the County of New Castle on Delaware, planter, of the second part, Witnesseth that the said Edward Grumley for and in consideration of the sum of thirty-nine pounds good money of America to him in hand paid or secured to be paid by him the said Samuel Griffin the receipt whereof is hereby by the said Edward Grumley acknowledged, and now is fully contented and satisfied and paid, and doth hereby

acquit, exonerate and discharge him the said Samuel Griffin, his heirs and assigns forever, and have given, granted, bargained, sold and by these presents, Do give, grant, bargain, sell, alienate, enfoeff, transfer, convey, set over and confirm unto him the said Samuel Griffin his heirs and assigns forever, All that parcel or tract of land situate being and lying in the County of Kent aforesaid, on the right side of a Branch issuing out of Duck Creek called formerly Pairman's Branch, now Gravelly Run, Beginning at a corner-marked white oak, being a corner tree of a tract of land now in the possession of John Cook, formerly belonging to Frances Web, running from there north one hundred and forty perches, bounding by these lands of John Cook, then east one hundred and ninety perches to the branch, through the branch, bounding on the several curves thereof to said first mentioned white oak, containing one hundred and twenty-five acres of land formerly devised to the said Edward Grumley by the will of his father, Benjamin Grumley, all his land containing one hundred and twenty-five acres, together with all and singular, the improvements, woods, water-courses, mines, minerals, easements, rents, profits, fishings and all other privileges and Royalties to the said one hundred and twenty-five acres of land, marsh, meadows, swamps, cripples or any part or parcel thereof, together with all the rights, tolls, interest, appurtenances, remainder, hereditaments of or belonging to the said land or marsh, hereby transferred or to be transferred to the said Samuel Griffin his heirs and assigns forever to the only proper use and behoof of him the said Samuel Griffin his heirs and assigns forever and to no other use or uses, To Have and to Hold the said one hundred and twenty-five acres of land to the said Samuel Griffin his heirs and assigns forever, Together with all and every the appurtenances, hereditaments and Royalties to the same belonging or in anywise appertaining to or any part or parcel thereof and the said Edward Grumley for himself, his executors and administrators, Doth covenant and promise, grant and agree to and with him the said Samuel Griffin his heirs and assigns forever, the said one hundred and twenty-five acres of land hereby granted and sold with every of the said granted premises hereby granted or to be granted to warrant and defend from and against the lawful claim or claims of him the said Edward Grumley his heirs, executors and administrators or assigns or from the lawful

claim of any other person or persons whatsoever and the said Edward Grumley for himself, his heirs, executors the said one hundred and twenty-five acres of land to be saved harmless from all quit rents, arrearages of rents to the Lord or Lords of the fee and from every other incumberance on the same heretofore committed done or suffered or to be committed, done or suffered by him the said Edward Grumley or other person or persons whatsoever on the said one hundred and twenty-five acres of land or the premises hereby executed, or invaded or incumbered or the said Samuel Griffin his heirs or assigns may be molested or interrupted from the peaceable and quiet possession, use and occupation of the said hereby granted land and premises or any of them or any part or parcel thereof and he the said Edward Grumley his executors and administrators shall and will at the reasonable request, cost and charge of him the said Samuel Griffin, his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, at any time within the space of seven years sign, seal and deliver according to law and acknowledge any further instrument for the sure making of a perfect right to the said piece of land in free socage; Provided the same land no further warranted according to the custom, and provided that the said Edward Grumley his heirs etc., be not compelled to go above twenty miles from the situation of the said land hereby granted, bargained and sold. It witness whereof the party hereto have hereunto affixed his hand and seal.

EDWARD GRUMLEY [SEAL].

His mark

Signed and sealed in presence of
JOHN PEYOR
WILLIAM BURTON

This Indenture made the sixteenth day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and forty-six, being the nineteenth year of the reign of our gracious sovereign Lord, George the Second, King of Great Britain &c., Between William Griffin, yeoman, and Eleanor his wife, John Griffin, yeoman, and Mary his wife, Alexander Chance, yeoman, and Elizabeth Griffin, quondam, now Elizabeth Chance, his wife, William Carpenter, yeoman, and Amey Griffin, quondam, now Amey Carpenter, his wife, Matthew

Griffin, Batchelor, all of Appoquinimink Hundred in New Castle County, with George Griffin, Smith, and Rebecca, his wife, of Duck Hundred in Kent County upon Delaware, of the one part; and Samuel Griffin of the Hundred of Duck Creek in Kent County upon Delaware, yeoman, of the other part; Witnesseth that the said William Griffin and Eleanor his wife, John Griffin and Mary his wife, Alexander Chance and Elizabeth his wife, William Carpenter and Amey his wife, Matthew Griffin, George Griffin and Rebecca his wife; Have, jointly and severally, for and in consideration of the just sum of Eighty-one Pounds, current, lawful money of this Government, to them in hand paid by the said Samuel Griffin, the receipt whereof they, the said William Griffin and Eleanor his wife, John Griffin and Mary his wife, Alexander Chance and Elizabeth his wife, William Carpenter and Amey his wife, Matthew Griffin, George Griffin and Rebecca his wife, hereby acknowledge and forever acquit and discharge the said Samuel Griffin, his heirs, executors and administrators thereof, and of and from every part and parcel thereof, and every of them by these presents, have for themselves, their heirs, executors and administrators, given, granted, alienated, released and confirmed, and by these presents, jointly, severally and freely: Do give, grant, alien, release and confirm to the said Samuel Griffin, to his heirs and assigns forever, all their right, title, claim and interest in and into One hundred and twenty-five acres of land, situate and being in the Hundred of Duck Creek in Kent County upon Delaware; Bounded on the North side with the land of John Holliday, South-West with the land of David Marshall, the East side with the land of Jane Long (which tract of land was conveyed by Edward Grumley to Samuel Griffin, deceased) together with all the houses, barns, buildings, gardens, orchards, meadows, mines, minerals, woods, woodlands, ways, water-courses, issues, rents, profits and improvements, the reversion and reversions, remainder and remainders, whatsoever to the same belonging, or in any wise appertaining; to Have and To Hold the said premises with the appurtenances whatsoever, of and from the said William Griffin and Eleanor his wife, of and from John Griffin and Mary his wife, of and from the said Alexander Chance and Elizabeth his wife, of and from the said William Carpenter and Amey his wife, of and from the said Matthew Griffin, of and from the said George Griffin

and Rebecca his wife, and of and from their heirs, executors and administrators forever, to and for the only proper use and behoof of him the said Samuel Griffin and his heirs and assigns forever, without any lawful suit, trouble, denial, interruption, eviction or disturbance of the said William Griffin and Eleanor his wife, John Griffin and Mary his wife, Alexander Chance and Elizabeth his wife, William Carpenter and Amey his wife, Matthew Griffin, George Griffin, and Rebecca his wife, or from any of them, their heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, or from any other person or persons whatsoever, lawfully claiming by, from or under them, or any of them, or by them or their means, acts or contract, title, interest, privity or procurement; And that free and clear, and freely and clearly, exonerated and discharged of and from all and every manner of former gifts, grants, bargains, sales, dowers, right and title of dowers, jointures, settlements, judgments, executions and impositions whatsoever had, made, committed and done, or suffered to be done, by or from the said William Griffin and all others in this conveyance, or by any other person whatsoever, lawfully claiming, or to claim by, from or under them or either of them: In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals.

Signed, sealed and delivered in presence of David Rees, Da'd Rees, Thos Parker and John Johnson.

WILLIAM GRIFF[I]NG
her
ELINOR X GRIFFIN
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his
ALEX'DR X CHANCE
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her
ELIZABETH X CHANCE
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MATTHEW X GRIFFIN
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NOOMY CARPENTER
GEORG GRIFFEN
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REBECCA X GRIFFIN
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JOHN X GRIFFITH
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MARY X GRIFFITH
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## CHILDREN OF SAMUEL GRIFFIN.

(2) WILLIAM GRIFFIN (Samuel, 1), born ——; died in 1771; married ELEANOR ——.

CHILDREN.

(10) I. Charles, born 1 December, 1734; died 1 August, 1832; married Ann Hyatt.

(11) II. William, born in 1740; died in 1783; married Ann Nock.

(12) III. David, born ——; died in 1786; married Hannah Stout.

(13) IV. George, born ——; died in 1811; married, (1), ——, (2), Sarah ——.

(14) V. Owen, born ——; died ——.

(15) VI. Mary, born ——; died in 1806; married, (1), David Leach, (2), James Jones, (3), Emanuel Stout.

(16) VII. Martha, born ——; died ——; married, (1), —— Jones, (2), —— Ashford.

William Griffin was a farmer, and lived in Appoquinimink hundred. From an examination of the locality it is probable that his dwelling plantation, which he bequeathed to his son David, and which remained in the family until 1817, was the original

tract purchased by Samuel Griffin in 1707. The land is located in the fork of the main and smaller run of Duck Creek Mill, as described in the deed. Tradition likewise declares this tract to be the original Griffin homestead. It is at present owned by Jacob Shahan. It is situated about one and a half miles northwest of the town of Clayton. The farmhouse was on the north side of the Cypress road, leading to the Cypress branch of Chester river. A short distance to the east was the Griffin mill, afterwards known as Casperson's. Thomas Marim, writing in 1870, when he was 75 years old, says of this farm, that it was then owned by Gideon Rothwell; that the old house had been torn down and a new one built over the "branch;" that the graveyard had been plowed over. This was probably the family burying-place, and explains why no gravestone records of the older members of the family are found in the nearby church graveyards. Mary Maria Griffin visited the farm in 1848, with her father, Charles Griffin (34). She says of the house, that it was "of brick, pretty good."[5] She describes the farm as the one on which her father was born, and which he left, when he was four years old, to go to the Redstone country of Pennsylvania, which farm his grandfather, William, once

[5] This was, probably, not the original house. What the house was in 1792, see the report of the freeholders under David Griffin (12). The buildings were then of hewn logs.

owned. This is probably an error. William Griffin bequeathed to his son Charles, the father of the one here mentioned, all that portion of his estate situated in Kent county, except 40 acres, which he gave to his son William. These 40 acres were probably land adjacent to the mill, which he also gave to William. It is known that William Griffin, the elder, did not retain the land in Kent county which his father had given him. This land was purchased by Samuel, his brother, in 1746.

In regard to the Griffin mill, Scharf, in his "History of Delaware," says the site for the mill-pond was condemned 19 July, 1748, and the mill was erected by Samuel Griffin in 1760. Substitute William for Samuel, and the historian is probably correct. The Samuel Griffin of that time is not known to have possessed mill property; but William Griffin bequeathed a mill to his son William, who thereafter signed himself "William Griffin, miller." In regard to the location of this mill, Thomas Marim, writing in 1856, says, "the railroad runs just below the old Griffin mill." William Griffin, miller, died in 1783, and his estate was unsettled as late as 1787. (See Scharf's History. Assessment List of Taxables of Appoquinimink Hundred. "Wm. Griffen's est.") Scharf furthermore says: "In 1789, the mill, in an advertisement offering it for sale, is described as 'a grist-mill in good repair for grinding merchant work, and having to it a good

dwelling-house suitable for merchant work.' " It is probable that Samuel Griffin, the third, purchased it from William Griffin's estate after it was advertised for sale. He died in 1795, and bequeathed the mill to his son John. Scharf says the mill was surveyed to John Griffin in 1797 on account of a dispute over the line. John Griffin died in 1798, and the mill remained in the Griffin family until 1820. The dispute over the boundary probably originated at the time the mill passed from the one branch of the family to the other. The survey, however, did not settle it—a tragedy marked the ending of it. "In 1859, David S. Casperson purchased it. In that year a dispute over the line, which had been standing since John Griffin's time, between Casperson and a neighbor, George Buchannon, and Buchannon killed Casperson." (Scharf's "History of Delaware.") The pond is now drained, and the mill is in ruin.

In 1747, William Griffin conveyed to James Hyatt, William Rees, Jeremiah Rees, James Howells, David Enos and Enoch David, all of Kent county, trustees of the Baptist Society, one half acre of land for a church on condition "that it doe now and shall hereafter meet to embrace and adhere freely to all the principles and articles that are compiled in a certain confession of Faith that was agreed upon and adopted by the Baptist Association that met at Philadelphia, September,

1742."[6] (Scharf's "History of Delaware.") It will be seen by the conditions imposed that William Griffin was fully in accord with the doctrines of the Welsh Tract Church; but for some reason the church was not built upon this land. It will be seen later that a church was established in the western part of Duck Creek hundred, many years afterwards.

WILL OF WILLIAM GRIFFIN.

In the Name of God, Amen: I, William Griffin of Apoquinamink Hundred and County of New Castle on Delaware, farmer, Being ancient and Infirm of Body, but of Sound Mind and Memory, Thanks be to Almighty God, Calling to mind the Mortality of my Body and the Immortality of my Soul, that it's appointed for all men to Die: Therefore Do make and ordain this & no other to be my Last Will and Testament; hereby Disposing all such Worldly goods I've been Blessed with in manner Following. IMPRIMIS. I give and Devise all that Land and Plantation I Bought of Richard Empson situate in Duck Creek Hundred and County of Kent unto my son Charles Griffin his Heirs and assigns forever (Excepting Forty acres thereof Adjoining Jacob Jones's and William Pugh's Land according to a Survey of the s'd Forty acres made by Thomas Brown Reference to his Plan being had will more fully Describe the same).

[6] The Baptist Association of 1742 adopted the articles of the Century Confession relating to singing, imposition of hands, ruling elders and church covenants. The Welsh Tract Baptist Church was the first in this country to introduce these articles into their worship. They had been the cause of their withdrawal from Pennepek, in 1703. They gave as the reason for their removal to Delaware that they could not take communion with their brethren at Pennepek. (Morgan Edwards's "History of the Baptists in Delaware.")

ITEM. I give and devise the af's'd Forty acres of Land unto my son William Griffin his Heirs and assigns Forever; and also I give and Devise unto my s'd son William Griffin his Heirs and Assigns Forever All that piece of Land situate Between my son William's Land (bought of Roger Pugh) & the main Branch of Duck Creek, Together with the Mills thereon Erected and Every the Appurtenances to the s'd Mills Belonging or in any wise Appertaining.

ITEM. I give and Devise unto my son David Griffin his heirs and Assigns Forever all my Lands situate in Apoquinamink Hundred and County of New Castle afores'd Together with my Land and Dwelling Plantation with Every the Appurtenances To the af's'd Lands Belonging or in anywise Appertaining to him his Heirs and Assigns Forever.

ITEM. I give and Bequeath unto my son David a Negro Woman call'd Philis and two Negro Boys call'd Simon and Jack, also two Feather Beds & their Furniture, a Desk and Cupboard, all the pots, and Frying-pans, a yoke of oxen, Cart, two plows, two ox-chains, a gray horse, call'd Spark, a Bay Horse call'd Buck, a gray mare call'd Fly, a Black mare and Sorrel Mare usually call'd his, two White faced Cows, Six Ewes and Lambs or Big with Lambs.

ITEM. I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Mary Stout a Negro Woman call'd Jean, a Feather Bed & Furniture, six heads of Sheep and Lambs or big with Lambs, two Horses, a Cow and Calf, a Cart, and a new pair of Cart Wheels.

ITEM. I give and Bequeath unto my grand daughter Mary Leech a Melatoe Girl call'd Mole. ITEM. I given and Bequeath unto my grand daughter Sarah Stout a Negro Boy call'd Hack. ITEM. I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Martha Ashford a Negro Woman call'd Belt, and two Feather Beds and Furniture for each, six heads of Sheep & Lambs, or Big with Lambs.

ITEM. I give and Bequeath unto my grand Daughters Mary and Elizabeth Jones the sum of Forty Pounds Current Lawful money Equally Between them share and share alike to be Levied of my Personal Estate.

ITEM. I give and Bequeath unto my grand Daughter Martha Ashford a Negro Boy call'd Phil.

ITEM. I give unto my son William a Negro Boy call'd Jacob, and I give and Bequeath unto my grand Daughter Eleanor Griffin a Negro girl call'd Ailee. ITEM. It is my Will that my Negro man call'd Sampson and my Negro girl call'd Rachel should be appraised & any two of my Children to keep them at the appraisment and Deemed assets in the hands of my Exec'rs.

ITEM. I give the Remainder of my Estate to my afores'd three sons and two Daughters, together with the Appraisment of the Negroes af's'd (viz. Sampson & Rachel) Equally Between them share and share alike.

ITEM. It's my Will and Do hereby order by Exec'rs To Levy Forty Pounds current monies of my Personal Estate and pay it to my Grand Daughter Mary Leech.

ITEM. I give and Bequeath the af's'd Melatoe girl unto my Daughter Mary Stout and that my grand Daughter Mary Leech have the s'd sum of Forty Pounds instead of the af's'd girl.

ITEM. I give and Bequeath a Negro girl Call'd Flora unto my son Charles and the youngest Negro girl I desire should be Appraised and that one of my children shall keep her at the Appraisment. And, LASTLY, I do hereby Nominate, Constitute and Appoint my sons Charles Griffin, William Griffin and David Griffin sole Exec'rs of this my Last Will and Testament, Ratifying and Confirming this & no other. In Witness whereof I the s'd William Griffin the second Day of August Seventeen hundred and sixty nine.

(Signed) WILLIAM GRIFFIN.

Witness:—THO. BROWN
HESTER BROWN
MARY BROWN

Probated at Dover, Kent County, Delaware, 21 August, 1771.

(4) ELIZABETH GRIFFIN (Samuel, 1), born ——; died ——; married ALEXANDER CHANCE, born ——; died in 1772 or 1773.

CHILDREN.

(From the will of Alexander Chance.)

(17) I. Mary Chance, born ——; died 1779; married, (1), Abraham Fields, (2), —— Allford.

(18) II. John Chance, born ——; died ——.

(19) III. Edmond Chance, born ——; died 1796; married Rachel ——. The estate of Edmond Chance was administered by Isaac King, 11 April, 1796, Rachel Chance, widow, renouncing her rights. (Will Book O–1–156.) Letters were granted on the estate of Rachel Chance to Jeremiah Hukill, 26 September, 1796. (O–1–190.)

(20) IV. Rebecca Chance, born ——; died ——.

Elizabeth Griffin was not married at the time of her father's death. In the deed of 16 May, 1746, she was the wife of Alexander Chance. She was living at the date of the will of her husband, 23 December, 1772.

Will of Alexander Chance, of Appoquinimink hundred, New Castle county, yeoman, probated 12 January, 1773, mentions wife Elizabeth (to whom he bequeathed all his movable property and one-third of his home plantation of 300 acres, and she was to have the entire plantation for the purpose of

maintaining and schooling three children until they were 21 years old), sons Edmond and John, and daughters Mary Allfoard and Rebecca Chance. He made provision for Edmond when he should come of the age of 21, and for Rebecca when she should come of the age of 18 years. Grandsons, John Chance and Thomas Allford; granddaughter, Elizabeth Fields. Wife, assisted by son John, executrix. Witnesses: John Standley, Abraham Howell and Thomas Hayselwood. (Will Book K–1–p. 57.)

Alexander Chance was probably the son of John Chance, planter, of Pennsylvania, in the county of Kent, on Delaware. His will, dated 1 May, 1728, leaves all his land to his two oldest boys (names not given), and charges their mother with the care of his two little girls (names not given), mentions sons Joseph, John and Alexander, daughter Honor Chance, and brother William Chance.

Letters of administration on the estate of John Chance, of Kent county, Delaware, were granted, 6 June, 1760, to Alexander Chance, of Kent county, yeoman. Will of Elijah Chance, of Little Creek hundred, Kent county, yeoman, mentions, besides wife Lydia and daughter Mary, brother Alexander Chance. The will is dated 10 October, 1775, and probated 31 October, 1775. There were, therefore, two of the name of Alexander, one of New Castle county and the other of Kent. The latter was living at the date of the former's death.

Alexander Chance probably worshipped according to the rites of the Established Church. This information is obtained from the deed for the land on which was built the first Episcopal chapel in Duck Creek hundred, the parent of the present St. Peter's of Smyrna. The deed is dated 17 August, 1744, and recites that: "Considering the necessity of having some place appointed for the worship of Almightly God according to the Rubric of the Church of England, established by law, David Marshall, William Strickland, of Kent County, and Alexander Chance, of New Castle County, have agreed with the aforesaid Abra'm James, Jacob James and Ruth James for the aforementioned tract of land for the improvement of the Established Church and for the better entertainment of a minister of the Established Church that shall be sent for that purpose by the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts."

Lieutenant Alexander Chance, of New Castle county, was commissioned in 1747, when they began to organize small companies for defence. (Scharf's "History of Delaware," Vol. I., p. 136.) Captain Alexander Chance, of the Lower Regiment of New Castle county, was commissioned from Appoquinimink hundred in 1756. (*Ibid.*, p. 141.)

All the information we possess of Elizabeth Griffin and her descendants is documentary.

(5) George Griffin (Samuel, 1), born ——; died 1751; married Rebecca Rees, daughter of Evan Rees, and sister of Mary, wife of John Griffin.

In the will of Evan Rees, dated 18 July, 1737, mention is made of sons David and Richard, of daughters Eleanor and Mary, and son-in-law George Griffin. In his own will, dated 10 September, 1751, and probated 15 October, 1751, he is called of Duck Creek hundred, blacksmith. He mentions wife Rebekah, and brothers William and Matthew, appointed executors. Witnesses: Peter Stout and Lydia Griffing.

(Signed) George $\overset{\text{his}}{\underset{\text{mark}}{g}}$ Griffing.

No mention of children is made in the will.

Evan Rees was the son of John and Eleanor Rees, of Duck Creek hundred. John Rees's will was probated 20 April, 1728. Children (as mentioned in the will): 1. David (will proved 20 February, 1727); 2. Evan (above); 3. Mary (dead at date of will, married Michael Richman, and had children, John, Evan and Temperance); 4. Jane, married —— Marshall; 5. Hannah, married —— Wootten, and had daughter Eleanor;[7] 6. Martha,

[7] William Hammon (Hammans, in the records of Friends' Monthly Meeting of Duck Creek) sold, 9 August, 1749, a lot in Salisbury to Ellinor Wooten.

died unmarried (will proved 9 January, 1729); 7. Esther, married —— Owens.

Children of Evan Rees: 1. Eleanor, married Morris Howell; 2. Rebecca, married George Griffin; 3. Mary, married John Griffin; 4. David; 5. Richard. Evan Rees mentions in his will a granddaughter, Esther Rees.

According to Morgan Edwards, Evan Rees was one of the heads of families that settled in Duck Creek hundred in 1733. It appears from the records, however, that he might have been living there before that time.

(6) SAMUEL GRIFFIN (Samuel, 1), born ——; died in 1769; married MARTHA ——; born ——; died in 1781.

CHILDREN.

(21) I. Owen, born 1739; died 1767; married Susannah ——.

(22) II. Rachel, born 1742; died 1793; married John Patterson.

(23) III. Elizabeth, born 1744; died 1796; married Joseph Meredith.

(24) IV. Thomas, born 1747; died probably in his minority, as his name does not appear among the heirs in the division of his father's personal estate, 27 August, 1773.

(25) V. Samuel, born 1749; died 1795; married Mary Rees.

(26) VI. Isaac, born 27 February, 1751; died 12 October, 1827; married Mary Morris.

Samuel Griffin (or Griffith) died intestate, and letters of administration were granted to Martha, his widow, 20 March, 1769. There is no record of the death of Martha Griffin in the office of the Register of Wills of Kent county. The date here given is that of the return of the freeholders who were appointed by the Orphans' Court to go upon her lands and divide them among her heirs. Her name appears among the constituents who petitioned the Welsh Tract Baptist church for leave to become a separate church—which petition was granted 24 November, 1781. The following is copied from the record book of the Welsh Tract church: "[October ye 6th, 1770]: then was Martha Griffin received into full communion here being baptised in May last by Mr. Thomas Davies then in Kent and came under Laying on of hands before ye church in ye Welsh Tract when she was received."

The administratrix made three reports before the final distribution of Samuel Griffin's personal estate. In the first report the amount of the "Inventory of Appraisment" is given as £731 6s 6d. In the last report the personal estate is valued at

£1282 0s 8d, of which sum £885 0s 2d were distributed among his five heirs, as follows: To Owen Griffith's representative; John Patterson, for his wife Rachel; Joseph Meredith, for his wife Elizabeth; Samuel Griffith, Isaac Griffith—to each £177 0s 0½d, the fifth part of the above balance.

What real estate Samuel Griffin possessed at the time of his death is not definitely known, as the return of the freeholders appointed to divide his lands has been lost, and their report was never recorded. But it has been ascertained from the records at Dover that he purchased of Benjamin Chew, 2 January, 1769—the year of his death—964 acres of land in Duck Creek hundred, a part of the "Manor of Freith,"[8] for which he paid six hundred pounds.[9] He also owned 200 acres of land in North Murderkill hundred, a part of the farm called "Elsworth."

[8] The Proprietor's Manor of Freith, one of the many manors in Pennsylvania and outlying territory laid off for William Penn, is described as situated on the head and on the branches of Duck Creek. It comprised nearly the whole of the western part of the hundred, extending from near the present line of the Delaware railroad to the Maryland boundary (the present east and west limits of Kenton hundred), and from New Castle county to Little Duck Creek, in its western part. It contained more than 10,000 acres of land.

[9] In the first report of the administratrix made 30 November, 1770, the estate is charged with £219 8s 4¾d, paid Thomas Parry, assignee of B. Chew, on bond. This was probably the balance of the purchase money.

In 1763, he bought of David Finney, of New Castle, 227 acres of land in Duck Creek hundred, a part of a tract called "Partnership" (or "Mill Range," or "Mill Creek," both of which names are used in the deed describing the property). The tract called "Partnership" originally comprised 1800 acres, and was situated in both Duck Creek and Little Creek hundreds. He is called in this deed Samuel Griffith. This property, for which he paid 454 pounds, probably became his dwelling plantation, and passed at his death to his son Samuel, who calls it in his will his "dwelling plantation." The North Murderkill property went to the representative of his son Owen. There remained the land that was part of the Manor of Freith to satisfy the other heirs.

In one of her reports the administratrix charges the estate with one pound for "expenses, trouble and time spent in going to New Castle to make search for papers to secure the title of the land of Sam'l Griffith, dec'd, against claims of F. Wells." This must refer to land held in New Castle county, but no record of such land has been found. It is stated in Scharf's "History of Delaware," that the site for the mill, now known as Casperson's, was condemned 19 July, 1748, and the mill was erected in 1760 by Samuel Griffin. There is good reason for believing that this is one of many errors in that historical work. This mill property is in

New Castle county, and it is explained elsewhere (under William Griffin) how it probably came into the possession of Samuel, son of this Samuel, at a much later date. There is evidence that Samuel Griffin owned at the time of his death land amounting to nearly 1400 acres. It is recorded that the widow's third was 328½ acres. The tract of 125 acres, the part of his father's estate, purchased in 1746, was sold in 1748.

In the final report of the administratrix, the personal property was divided equally among the five heirs, and Owen Griffith's representative was charged a double share of the cost of the division of the land. It was one of the peculiarities of the laws of Delaware at that time that it allowed the eldest son to take a double share of intestate real estate. This was changed after the War of the Revolution, when an equal distribution was decreed.

Samuel Griffith signed the marriage certificate of Joseph Hales and Susanna Holliday, of the Society of Friends, 19th 3rd mo., 1748.

"PARTNERSHIP."

This Indenture made 11th of April, 1763, between *David Finney*, of the town and county of New Castle upon Delaware, . . . and *Samuel Griffith*, of Duck Creek hundred and county of Kent upon Delaware, yeoman, . . . ; Whereas *William Penn* . . . did . . . the 9th of November, 1683, grant . . . unto . . *Francis Whitwell* and *John Richardson* . . . that . . . tract of land called Partnership, or Mill Range, situate in Duck Creek and Little Creek hundreds in Kent county upon Delaware, and containing . . . 1800

acres; and whereas . . . *Francis Whitwell*, on or about the 15th of July, 1684, departed this life in Kent county, . . and . . *John Richardson* survived him, and . . . became seized in fee of . . . the whole tract . . . ; and *John Richardson* and *Mary* his wife did . the 9th of March, 1692, . . sell . . . the . . . tract . . . named Partnership, unto . . . *Richard Hambly* . . . ; and whereas . . . *Richard Hambly* on or about the 10th of December, 1695, died intestate, and left issue, *Richard Hambly*, his only child . . . ; and . . . *Richard Hambly*, as son and heir, did . . . the 11th of February, 1703, . . . sell . . . tract . . . by name of Partnership, unto . . . *Robert French* . . . : and whereas . . . *Robert French* on or about the 22nd of January, 1712, made his last will . . . proved . . . in . . . the county of New Castle, . . . did give . . . the . . . tract . . . by the name of Partnership, or Mill Creek, containing 1800 acres . . . unto his only son, *David French* . . . to his daughter *Elizabeth French*, . . . to his daughter *Mary French;* and whereas . . . *Robert French* soon after died, and his son *David French* entered into the premises, and afterwards died without issue; and . . . *Elizabeth French* intermarried with . . . *John Finney* . and by him had issue, . . . *David Finney*, . . . her eldest son, and afterwards died, in the life-time of . . . *David French*, whereby . . . *David Finney* became seized . . . of . . . half part of the tract of land aforesaid; and . . . *Mary French* intermarried with . . . *James Gardner;* and . . . *James Gardner* and *Mary*, his wife, and . . . *David Finney*, . . . on the 30th of December, 1758, had partition between them of the said tract of land called Partnership, or Mill Creek, containing 1800 acres . . . and the quantity of 1206 acres . . . was laid off . . . as the share . . . of . . . *David Finney;* and whereas . . . *David Finney* afterwards, for . . . destroying the estate-tail . . . did suffer a common recovery . . . and now execute a deed to lead the uses to him, the said *David Finney*, in fee simple, whereby . . . *David Finney* is now become seized of an absolute estate of inheritance in fee simple . . . Now this Indenture Witnesseth that *David Finney* for . . the sum of 454 pounds lawful money . . . to him . . . paid . . . doth . . . sell . . . unto . . . *Samuel Griffith* . . . all that plantation . . . (being parcel of the . . . 1206 acres allotted

to . . . *David Finney* as his moiety . . . of the tract . . . called Partnership) situate . . . in Duck Creek hundred, in Kent county . . . beginning at a marked poplar (being the original beginning tree of 200 acres formerly leased to . . . *Owen David*) and running thence south, 47 degrees and 30 minutes east, 138 perches to a post, from thence north-east 207 perches to a marked hickory, thence north, 29 degrees east, 100 perches to another marked hickory, thence north, 83 degrees west, 96 perches to a marked white-oak, thence south, 81 degrees west, 83 perches to another marked white-oak, from thence south, 41 degrees west, 181 perches to the . . . place of beginning, containing . . . 227 acres . . . [etc., etc.]

(signed) *DAVID FINNEY.*

Witnesses:

JAMES ROE.
R. BUTLER.

[NOTE.—The David French mentioned in this deed was a Delaware colonial poet. All of his poems that are known to us are translations from the Odes of Anacreon and Ovid's Elegies. We are indebted to another Delaware poet, John Parke, for their preservation. He says of them: "They had been consigned to oblivion through the obliterating medium of rats and moths, under the sequestered canopy of an antiquated trunk." For some of his poems see Duyckinck's "Cyclopædia of American Literature." Vol. 1, p. 116. T. H. S.]

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(8) JOHN GRIFFIN (Samuel, 1), born ——; died ——; married MARY REES, daughter of Evan Rees, of Duck Creek hundred.

In the nuncupative will of David Rees, son of Evan, who lived two miles from Duck Creek Town, mention is made of his brother Richard, his sister Eleanor Howell and John Griffin who married his

sister. The will is dated 23 August, 1750. John Griffin was married between 1737 (date of Evan Rees's will) and 1746 (date of the deed). Nothing more is known of him. He was of Appoquinimink hundred in 1746.

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(9) MATTHEW GRIFFIN (Samuel, 1), born about 1725; died in 1773; married, about 1747, LYDIA HOWELL, born ——; died in 1789; daughter of James and Mary Howell, of Duck Creek hundred.

CHILDREN.

(27) I. Samuel, born ——; died in 1790; married Elizabeth ——.

(28) II. David, born in 1750; died 15 March, 1790; married Jemima Spruance.

(29) III. Matthew, born ——; died in 1797; married Eleanor ——.

(30) IV. William, born in 1754; died in 1803; married, (1), Ann ——, (2), Hester ——.

(31) V. Lydia, born ——; died ——; married —— Wells.

(32) VI. Elizabeth, born ——; died ——; married —— Roe.

(33) VII. Ebenezer, born ——; died ——.

In an indentured deed, dated 16 May, 1746,

Matthew Griffin is called "Batchelor." James Howell, in his will, signed 2 January, 1748, mentions his daughter Lydia Griffin. Their marriage, therefore, must have taken place between these dates. Matthew Griffin was one of the executors of the will of Morris Howell, brother of Lydia Griffin. This will was signed 8 February, 1747. Mary Howell, widow of James Howell, died intestate, and Matthew Griffin was appointed to administer the estate, 11 October, 1757.

WILL OF MATTHEW GRIFFIN.

In the Name of God, Amen. I, Matthew Griffin of duck Creek Hundred and County of Kent on Delaware, ffarmer, being sick and weak in Body But of Sound mind and memory, thanks to Almighty God, Touching such worldly goods as I've been blessed with in this life, I give, devise and dispose of in the following manner and form. IMPRIMIS. I give and Bequeath to Lydia my Beloved wife one third part of my personal Estate forever, and I give her choice of my Horses, Viz. any one of them and a side saddle and choice of all my Beds and furniture.

ITEM. I give her all the profits of my dwelling plantation until my youngest child arrives to Twenty one years of age & no longer.

ITEM. I give to my said wife one third part of all the profits of all my Real Estate during her Natural life.

ITEM. I give and devise all that piece or parcel of land I Bought of Humphry Best situate in Apoquinamink Hundred and County of New Castle unto my son Samuel Griffin his Heirs and Assigns forever, Ordering him in Consideration thereof to pay the sum of Twenty pounds current money of this Government in one year hence next ensuing my decease to his brother David.

ITEM. I give & devise unto my son Matthew Griffin his heirs & assigns forever one half of my land and dwelling plantation situate in duck Creek Hundred & County aforesaid, to be laid off by a divis-

ion line parallel to and adjoining Daniel Davids land, s'd line to be run from the road leading from the head of Chester River to the Branch, hereby ordering him my said son Matthew in Consideration thereof to pay unto his brother Ebenezer Griffin the sum of one Hundred and fifty pounds current money of this Government in Seven years next Ensuing my decease.

ITEM. I give and devise the other half of my Land & Dwelling plantation unto my son William Griffin his heirs and assigns forever, hereby ordering him my said son William in Consideration thereof to pay unto his Brother Ebenezer the sum of fifty pounds Current money of this Government in Seven years hence next Ensuing my decease.

ITEM. I give and bequeath unto my son Ebenezer Griffin the af's'd sums One Hundred and fifty pounds and the sum of fifty pounds to be paid him by his Brothers Matthew and William in Lieu of any right or portion in my Real Estate or any part thereof.

ITEM. I Give and Bequeath unto my two daughters Lydia & Elizabeth the sum of Three hundred pounds Current money of this Government to be Levied off my personal Estate and divided between them Equally share and share alike and paid to Each of them severally as they arrive to Twenty one years of age.

ITEM. I Nominate, Constitute & Appoint Lydia my wife and my son David Griffin to be sole Exec'rs of this my last will & Testament Ratifying & Confirming this & no other. In witness whereof I the said Matthew Griffin the Twenty first day of November, in Anno Domini One thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy three, have hereunto set my hand and seal in presence of these Witness Bid by me to bear witness to this my Last Will and Testament.

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MATTHEW M GRIFFIN.
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Witnesses:—THO. BROWN
ENOCH JONES
WILLIAM GRIFFIN, miller.

CODICIL. I give, bequeath and devise unto my son David Griffin his heirs and assigns forever all them two parcels of Land, the one Twenty acres situate the North side of the main Branch of

duck Creek, the other situate the South side of said Branch Containing thirty odd acres; the Remainder of my Estate if any be I give and Bequeath unto my son Ebenezer and my daughters Lydia and Elizabeth to be divided between them share and share alike.

Proved at Dover, Kent Co., Del., December 8, 1773.

## WILL OF LYDIA GRIFFIN.

I, Lydia Griffin of Duck Creek Hundred and County of Kent in the Delaware State, October thirteenth in the year one thousand seven hundred and eighty seven, being sick and weak in body but of perfect mind and memory thanks be given unto God for the same & calling to mind the Mortality of my body & knowing that it is appointed for all once to die do make & ordain this my last Will & Testament. Principally and first of all I give and recommend my soul into the hands of God that gave it and my body I recommend it to the Earth to be buried in a Christian like and decent manner at the discretion of my Executor, and as touching such Worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this life, I give, bequeath and dispose of the same in manner and form following, that is to say, I will & order all my just debts to be fully paid and satisfied.

ITEM. I give and bequeath to my sons Samuel, David, Matthew and William the sum of Six pounds lawful money to be divided equally between them their heirs or assigns share and share alike.

ITEM. I give and bequeath unto my daughter Elizabeth her heirs or assigns my negro Woman named Priscilla & a negro child named Charlotte, a bed and furniture and a pied Heifer.

ITEM. I give and bequeath unto my granddaughter Elizabeth Griffin, daughter of my son William, the bed and furniture I mostly use myself, my Will is that it shall be in care of my daughter Elizabeth Roe 'till she arrive to the age of Eighteen years, but in case said Elizabeth Griffin should die before she arrives to that age then and in that case the said Elizabeth Roe is to have and keep the bed and furniture herself as her own.

ITEM. I give and bequeath to my Granddaughter Mary Wells the sum of three pounds to be laid out towards schooling her.

ITEM. It is also my Will that my negro Woman named Mary

shall be free at my decease & my will is that my negro man named Fortune shall be free at the end of three years after my decease. All the rest of my Estate that shall be left after my just debts, funeral Expenses and these Legacies are paid I give and bequeath unto my son Ebenezer & my daughter Elizabeth to be equally divided between them share and share alike. And lastly I do appoint my son Ebenezer to be my Executor of this my last Will and Testament. In Testimony thereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year first above mentioned.

LYDIA GRIFFIN.

Witnesses:—ENOCH JONES
HENRY FARSON
DANIEL DAVID, JR.

Proved at Dover, Kent Co., Del., November 24, 1789.

Abstract of Will of James Howell, of Duck Creek hundred, Kent county, on Delaware, probated 14 March, 1748. Daughter Lydia Griffin, granddaughter Mary Howell, daughter of son Philip Howell, then in Carolina, the three children of his son Morris Howell, deceased. Wife Mary Howell and friend Henry Farson, executors. David Rees and Mary Rees, witnesses. (Will Book J, p. 265.)

Abstract of Will of Morris Howell, probated 24 February, 1747. Wife Eleanor. [In the nuncupative will of David Rees, son of Evan, proved 23 August, 1750, sister Eleanor Howell is mentioned.] Children: Lydia, Sarah and James. Executors: Daniel Nock and Matthew Griffin. (Will Book J, p. 181.)

Evan Rees and James Howell were the heads of two Welsh Baptist families who settled in Duck

Creek hundred in 1733, having come hither, with others (James Hyatt, Nathaniel Wilds, David Evan, David Rees, Evan David Hughs and Joshua Edwards), from the Welsh Tract in Pencader hundred, and were members of that church. (Morgan Edwards's "History of the Baptists in Delaware.") According to this historian, the first emigration from the Welsh Tract into Duck Creek hundred took place in the year 1733. The Griffin family, therefore, was not identified with this movement, although some branches of it became connected, later, with the oldest offshoot of that church (Bryn Zion) in Duck Creek hundred.

In 1781 the Duck Creek Baptists petitioned the Welsh Tract Church for permission to become a separate organization. Among other Griffins, this petition was signed by Lydia Griffin and her daughter Elizabeth Roe.

## THIRD GENERATION.

(10) Charles Griffin (William, 2, Samuel), born 1 December, 1734; died 1 August, 1832; married Ann Hyatt, born 8 September, 1738, in Delaware.

CHILDREN.

(Order of birth not known.)

(34) I. Charles, born 25 December, 1777; died 30 December, 1860; married Ann Combs.

(35) II. William, born ——; died September, 1832; married Rhoda Pierce.

(36) III. Susan, born ——; died ——; married Lott Abrams. Moved to near Cincinnati, Ohio.

(37) IV. Mary, born ——; died ——; married John Smith. Moved to near Cincinnati, Ohio.

Charles Griffin inherited of his father's estate all that portion located in Duck Creek hundred which he had bought of Richard Empson, except 40 acres, which were given to his brother William. One account says, that he moved to the western part of

Pennsylvania in 1780. Mary Maria Linn (114), in a letter before quoted, says: "Papa and I were in Delaware in the year 1848, and were on the farm his grandfather once owned. Here my father was born, and left there when he was four years old for the Redstone country, Pa." As her father was born in 1777, he would not have completed his fourth year until the last of 1781. He exchanged his lands in Delaware, located, it is said, where the town of Clayton now stands, with Isaac Griffin (26), his first cousin, for lands in Springhill township, Fayette county, Pennsylvania. The town of Clayton was built on the Tibbitt farm. It is probable that the Empson property which Charles Griffin inherited from his father was between the town of Clayton and the mill property, on the north, as 40 acres had been detached from it and given to the son who inherited the mill farm.

At a business meeting of the Mount Moriah Baptist church, Fayette county, held 10 September, 1785, Charles Griffin's name is mentioned. His wife, Ann Griffin, was a member of that church 31 October, 1784. (Ellis's "History of Fayette County.") In 1797 he erected a stone dwelling-house on his property, which is still (1896) standing. He was a farmer in Delaware and in Pennsylvania, but in the latter State he combined with farming the distilling of whiskey. He was a distiller in 1786, and three years later he was returned

as a distiller of the first class, turning out 105 gallons daily.

Ann Pumphry (117) is the authority for the statement that Charles Griffin's wife was Ann Hyatt. From her was also obtained the date of her grandmother's birth. William Pierce Griffin (127) thought his grandmother was Anna Pastoley (sic). The first statement is accepted as the most reliable. Hyatt was a Delaware name.[10]

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(11) WILLIAM GRIFFIN (William, 2, Samuel), born 1740; died 1783; married ANN NOCK, born 6th 11th mo., 1745, daughter of Ezekiel and Elizabeth (Hales) Nock.

CHILDREN.

(38) I. Jabez, born 1768; died 30th 12th mo., 1804; married Sarah Levick.

(39) II. Daniel, born ——; died 1800. Letters of administration upon his estate granted to Jabez Griffin, 3 March, 1800.

[10] James Hyatt was one of the nine heads of Baptist families who moved down into Duck Creek from Pencader hundred in 1733. He was one of the trustees of the Baptist Society of Kent county in 1747. He signed the Confession of Faith of the Welsh Tract Meeting in 1727. The shallop Hampton, built at Duck Creek, New Castle county on Delaware, James Hyatt, of Duck Creek, owner and master, was registered at Philadelphia, 11 November, 1737. (Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography, Vol. 23, p. 501.) Ann Hyatt was probably of this family.

(40) III. Sarah, born ——; died ——; married James Cheffin.

(41) IV. Barthia, born ——; died 1802. Will, dated 19th 12th mo., 1802, mentions brothers Jabez and Ezekiel, and sister Sarah Cheffin. She was admitted to membership of the Society of Friends of Duck Creek Meeting, 10th 2nd mo., 1798.

(42) V. Ezekiel, born ——; died 1804; married Sarah Stokely (Stokesly?).

Letters of administration upon the estate of William Griffin, miller, were granted, 12 August, 1783, to Ann Griffin, who gave bond with Thomas Nock. He inherited the mill property and the land belonging to it and forty acres of the Empson tract, adjoining the lands of Jacob Jones and William Pugh. He also owned another tract bought of Roger Pugh. His wife was of Quaker parentage, and was disciplined for "marrying out." It is recorded in the "Minutes of the Duck Creek Monthly Meeting," under date of 24th 10th mo., 1767, that "Women Friends request our assistance in treating with Ann Nock (that was), now the wife of William Griffin, Jr., for marrying a man not of our Society." That she made her peace with the Society is shown by another entry on the minutes of the Monthly Meeting, dated 27th 8th

mo., 1768: "Ann Griffin having some time ago offered a paper of acknowledgement for her outgoing in marriage . . . . Friends of Duck Creek Preparative Meeting, to which she belongs, expressing their satisfaction with her conduct . . . . it is received as satisfaction." The following is also copied from the records of their meetings, under date of 15th 11th mo., 1791: "Received by Thos. Nock and Sam'l Griffin in behalf of the Admin$^{n}$ of Will$^{m}$ Griffin [amounts mentioned]."

In the will of Ezekiel Nock, of Kent county, signed 28th 10th mo., 1773, Ann Griffin is mentioned as his oldest daughter, and mention is likewise made of her children, Jabez, Daniel and Sarah. Barthia and Ezekiel were probably not then born.

William Griffin, miller, and Ann Griffin signed the marriage certificate of Joseph Smith and Sarah Pugh, 28th 7th mo., 1773.

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(12) David Griffin (William, 2, Samuel), born ——; died 1786; married Hannah Stout, born ——; died 1799, daughter of Emanuel Stout and Luraney Owen (his first wife).

CHILDREN.

(43) I. Martha, born ——; died ——.

(44) II. Jacob Stout, born 30 November, 1776; died 20 February, 1851; married (1), Rebecca Bracken (2), Priscilla Rees.

(45) III. Sarah, born 1780; died 1802.

(46) IV. Eleanor, born ——; died 1846; married Benjamin Blackiston.

Letters of administration on the estate of David Griffin, late of New Castle county, were granted to Hannah Griffin, his widow, 19 July, 1786; and letters of administration on the estate of Hannah Griffin, late of New Castle county, widow, were granted to Jacob Griffin, next of kin, 11 June, 1799, with Jabez Griffin, surety.

At Orphans' Court, held 17 January, 1792, there "came into Court Martha Griffin and Jacob Griffin, minors, orphan children of David Griffin, late of Appoquinimink hundred in this county, husbandman, deceased, and chose for their guardian, David West, of whom the Court approve . . . and upon application the Court appoint the said David West guardian of Sarah Griffin and Elinor Griffin, other minor orphan children of the said David Griffin, deceased. The Court approve of Jabez Griffin as security."

Under the law of Delaware a minor over the age of fourteen years has a right to choose his own guardian, while a minor under that age has one appointed for him by the Court. It may, therefore, be inferred from this record that Martha and Jacob were fourteen, or over that age, and that Sarah and Eleanor were under fourteen at that date.

At the same session of Orphans' Court three freeholders were ordered to go upon the land and premises of these orphans and make an annual valuation of the same, and to report what houses, out-houses and orchards there were and what repair they were in. It is learned from the return of these freeholders, dated 31 March, 1792, that the lands and premises of David Griffin, deceased, in Appoquinimink hundred, contained about 300 acres, of which about 250 acres were clear and cripple, and the remainder woodland, that the buildings, with the exception of "a large old frame barn, that wants repairing," were of hewn logs, and most of them were old and needed repairs. There was a new saw mill on the place, and a large apple orchard and a few peach trees. They agreed that the yearly rent for the whole place should be one hundred pounds specie.

It is shown in William Griffin's will that David Griffin inherited all his father's lands situate in Appoquinimink hundred, and that these lands included what he called his dwelling plantation.

A David Griffin, probably this one, signed the marriage certificate of Thomas Hammans and Susanna Holliday, 21st 6th mo., 1753.

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(13) George Griffin (William, 2, Samuel), born ——; died 1811; married, (1), ——, (2), Sarah Steward (?).

CHILDREN.

By first wife.

(47) I. George, born ——; died ——; married Mary (Polly) ——.

By second wife.

(48) II. Alphra, born ——; died ——; married —— Boyer.

(49) III. Nathaniel, born 5 April, 1800; died ——; married Sarah Howard.

The descendants of this branch cannot trace their ancestry beyond this generation. As William Griffin mentions no son by this name in his will, George Griffin is placed here solely upon the testimony of Joseph Ezekiel Griffin (231), who, in a letter written 21 June, 1873, says: "My other grandfather was Ezekiel Griffin, who was a third cousin of my father. He belonged to old William Griffith's family. Old William was brother of old Samuel Griffith. He was said to have seven children, namely: Charles, William (from whom I am descended by my mother), David, George, Owen (the latter my mother said went to South Carolina), Mary and Martha."

All the Griffins of Duck Creek hundred, so far as discovered, belong to this family. The records of the hundred reveal the existence, at this period, of a George Griffin, and he is probably the one under discussion.

Letters of administration upon the estate of George Griffin were granted, 8 May, 1811, to John Wilds, of Kenton, Sarah, his widow, renouncing her rights. The will of his widow, dated 2 April, 1830, mentions sons Nathaniel and Alphra; granddaughter Sarah, daughter of Alphra; and Sarah Steward Perdee and Alphra Steward. His descendants claim he was a soldier in the Revolutionary War and was with Washington at Valley Forge during the winter of 1777. The records show a George Griffin of Delaware pensioned under the act of 7 June, 1785, the pension commencing 1 January, 1803.

George Griffin signed the marriage certificate of Robert Register and Ruth Stout, 1st 3rd mo., 1775, and that of Thomas Corse and Ruth Register, 27th 3rd mo., 1788.

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(14) Owen Griffin (William, 2, Samuel), born ——; died ——.

The father's will is also silent in regard to this son. His existence, as in the case of George, rests upon the testimony of Joseph Ezekiel Griffin, who relates the following concerning him: "The latter [Owen], my mother said, went to South Carolina, but no member of our family has any recollection of him now." There is additional evidence that one of the sons of William Griffin went south.

Mary Maria Linn, in a letter written about 1870, says, "William Griffin went to North Carolina." She was, unquestionably, mistaken in the name; as it is a well established fact that William Griffin lived and died in Delaware. As Owen is the only one that has left no trace behind him in Delaware, it is probable that he was the emigrant. About this time there was a tide of emigration from the State to South Carolina, to the Welsh settlements in Darlington county, on the Great Pedee river.

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(15) MARY GRIFFIN (William, 2, Samuel), born ——; died 1806; married (1), DAVID LEACH, of Frederica, Del., formerly of Somerset county, Md., born ——; died 10 January, 1760. She married (2), JAMES JONES, born ——; died 1762; (3), EMANUEL STOUT, born ——; died 1781; son of Benjamin Stout and Elizabeth Lewis, and grandson of Richard Stout and Penelope Van Princis, of Monmouth county, New Jersey.

CHILDREN.

By first husband.

(50) I. Mary Leach, born 12 September, 1760; died 17 January, 1834; married (1), William Berry, (2), —— Clark.

By third husband.

(51) II. Sarah Stout, born 6 January, 1764; died 30 December, 1852; married (1), Jacob Emerson, (2), Daniel Cowgill.

(52) III. Jacob Stout, born 1764; died November, 1855; married Angelica Killen.

(53) IV. Martha Stout, born ——; died ——; married John Cowgill.

(54) V. Rebecca Stout, born ——; died ——; married William Ruth.

(55) VI. Peter Stout, born ——; died 1811; married Fanny ——.

(56) VII. Ann Stout, born 1 January, 1778; died 5 January, 1882; married William Denny. 104

(57) VIII. Lydia Stout, born 30 May, 1780; died 2 February, 1868; married Robert Register.

Letters of administration on the estate of Mary Stout, deceased, were granted to Peter Stout, who gave bond with Jacob Stout, 3 December, 1806. (Will Book O, p. 139.) David Leach came to Frederica (or "Johnny Cake Landing," as the village was called from 1684 to 1772) in the beginning of the year 1729, as in a deed to him from John Sipple, 14 May, 1729 (Deed Book I–1–187), it is recited: "David Leach, of Somerset Co., Maryland, but now of Kent Co., Delaware." Mary, widow, administered his estate, 6 February, 1760 (Will Book K, p. 219); and Mary Jones, widow, administered the estate of James Jones, 23 February, 1762. (Will Book K, 277.)

William Griffin in his will, dated 2 August, 1769, mentions two granddaughters, Mary and Elizabeth Jones. It seems hardly probable these could have been children of his daughter Mary, who, although she had married a man named Jones, already had one daughter by the name of Mary, by her first husband. Her father, in his will, names, first, his daughter Mary Stout, and after her his granddaughters Mary Leach and Sarah Stout, who were children of his daughter Mary. Following these bequests he names his daughter Martha Ashford, and after her his granddaughters Mary and Elizabeth Jones and Martha Ashford. It is reasonable to assume from what is known that the last three were children of his daughter Martha, and are named in the order of their birth, as are Mary's children. The following is from the records of the Orphans' Court, and bears date, 28 March, 1768. (B–1–46.) "Emanuel Stout and Mary his wife, who by the name of Mary Jones, was administratrix of all . . . . which was of James Jones, late of Kent county, deceased."

Mary Stout, widow, administered the estate of Emanuel Stout, 25 April, 1781. (L–228.) At the time of his death the children of Emanuel Stout were all minors, as on 23 October, 1783, they were committed by the Orphans' Court to the guardianship of their mother.[11]

[11] A further account of children by third husband will be given in genealogy of STOUT FAMILY.

(16) MARTHA GRIFFIN (William, 2, Samuel), born ——; died ——; married (1?), —— JONES, (2), —— ASHFORD.

CHILDREN.

By first husband.

(58) I. Mary Jones, born ——.

(59) II. Elizabeth Jones, born ——.

By second husband.

(60) III. Martha Ashford, born ——.

The only information concerning this family is derived from a letter dated 11 March, 187–, written by Mary Maria Linn (114) to Elizabeth Stout Rees. She there states that Martha married a Mr. Ashford, and had two daughters, and that "there is [was] one of their sons living now [then] in Fayette county, ninety-three years old." On this letter, interlined in pencil in another's hand-writing, and partly erased, was the name "Rodney Ashford," which may have been the name of Martha Griffin's husband.

The reason for considering Mary and Elizabeth Jones the children of Martha Griffin is given under Mary Griffin (15).

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(17) MARY CHANCE (Elizabeth 4, Samuel), born ——; died in 1779; married, (1), ABRAHAM FIELDS, (2), —— ALLFORD.

CHILDREN.

By first husband.

(61) I. Elizabeth Fields, born ——. Mentioned in grandfather's will.

(62) II. Allen Fields, born ——; died in 1797; married Hester ——.

By second husband.

(63) III. Thomas Allford, born ——. Mentioned in grandfather's will.

Letters of administration on the estate of Mary Allford, late of Appoquinimink hundred, widow, deceased, were granted to Allen Fields, next of kin, 13 March, 1779. (Will Book L–1–146.)

That Mary Chance's first husband was Abraham Fields is based upon the fact that the only one of that surname, whose death antedates hers, on the probate records of New Castle county, from Appoquinimink hundred, is the one here given, letters of administration on whose estate were issued to Mary Fields, widow, 26 December, 1749.

There were two Allen Fields living in Appoquinimink hundred at the same time. One left a will, in which are mentioned sons William, Henry and Benjamin, and brother Benjamin. For this reason he is supposed to be the son of William Fields, who left a will naming sons Allen and Benjamin. This was Allen Fields, the younger, and his will was probated 9 May, 1797. His wife was

Mary Fields. The other is called Allen Fields, the elder, and is supposed to be the son of Mary Chance. Letters on his estate were granted to Hester Fields, widow, 6 May, 1797. Later it is recorded that letters were granted on the estate of Allen Fields, the elder, upon the renunciation of Abraham Fields, guardian of Cassandra Fields, the next of kin of Allen Fields, the elder, his estate being unadministered by Hester Cradock, deceased, formerly Hester Fields.

The small village of Fieldsboro, 3 miles northeast of Townsend, on the upper "King's Road," is named after this family.

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(21) Owen Griffin (Samuel, 6, Samuel), born 1739; died 1767; married Susannah ——, born ——; died ——. (She married, secondly, Henry Killen.

CHILDREN.

(64) I. Elizabeth, born 22 August, 1762; died 1807; married John Warren.

Owen—better known in the records under the name of Griffith—died intestate, and letters of administration upon his estate were granted to Susannah, his widow, 13 April, 1767. That the widow married again shortly after his death appears in the petition to the Justices of the Orphans' Court of

Kent county, at the sessions held 23 November, 1768, and 23 August, 1769, "of Henry Killen and Susannah, his wife, administrators of all . . . . which were of Owen Griffith, late of the said county, deceased." The inventory of his personal property amounted to £530 14s 4d.

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(22) RACHEL GRIFFIN (Samuel, 6, Samuel), born 1742; died 1793; married JOHN PATTERSON, born ——; died 1792.

CHILDREN.

(65) I. John Patterson, born ——.
(66) II. Thomas Patterson, born ——.
(67) III. George Patterson, born ——.
(68) IV. Isaac Patterson, born ——.
(69) V. Elizabeth Patterson, born ——; died ——; married Josiah Wallace.

Rachel Patterson's will is dated 1 February, 1793, and was probated 26 March, 1793. She bequeathed: "the home plantation where I now reside, containing about 360 acres, to be equally divided between my sons John, Thomas, George and Isaac: To William Patterson (in North Murderkill Hundred) about 80 acres to him and his heirs forever: To my grandson, Samuel Wallace, a parcel of land in Duck Creek Hundred to him and his heirs forever, and in case he should die and leave no lawfully begotten heirs of his body, then

in that case it shall fall to his brothers and sisters lawfully born of my daughter Betsey, wife of Josiah Wallace: To Elizabeth Meredith . . . . 1 blue gown, 1 quilt: To my daughter Betsey Wallace my private book account."

The will of John Patterson, signed 1 March, 1792, and proved 7 June, 1792, bequeaths: "To Rachel Patterson one-third of my personal estate, and out of the remaining two-thirds my debts are to be paid. The home plantation on which I live containing about 370 acres to be equally divided between my beloved sons John Patterson, Thomas Patterson, George Patterson and Isaac Patterson, all being my children." The main provisions of the wills of husband and wife are alike. He leaves to William Patterson 80 acres of land, but does not locate it. There is no evidence who William Patterson was, but he evidently was not a child of Rachel Patterson. The land in Duck Creek hundred, which he bequeathed to his grandson Samuel Wallace, son of his daughter Betsey Wallace, wife of Josiah Wallace, is described as a parcel of woodland. He disposed of his personal estate as follows: "To George Patterson, my son, 1 negro woman, Jemima, 1 negro boy, David, 1 negro boy, Daniel; and to Isaac 1 negro boy, Jacob, 1 negro girl, Rose; to William Patterson 1 negro boy, Richard; and the remainder of my personal estate among my children."

(23) ELIZABETH GRIFFIN (Samuel, 6, Samuel), born 1744; died 1796; married JOSEPH MEREDITH, born ——; died 1795.

CHILDREN.

(70) I. Elizabeth Meredith, born ——; died ——; married —— Ford.

(71) II. Samuel Meredith, born ——; died ——; married Mary Beardley.

(72) III. Jacob Meredith, born ——; died ——; married Martha Meredith.

(73) IV. Martha (Patty) Meredith, born ——; died ——; married —— Bradley.

(74) V. Ann Meredith, born ——; died ——; married —— Hartshorn.

Joseph and Elizabeth Meredith died intestate. There is no record of letters of administration having been granted upon the estate of Elizabeth Meredith. However, the Orphans' Court was petitioned, 5 May, 1796, for a division of her lands, and the freeholders made their return on 3 May, 1797. Her land, consisting of 153 acres and 60 perches, was divided among the five heirs. Letters of administration upon the estate of Joseph Meredith were granted 14 April, 1795. Twenty acres of land were divided among the five children. Among the marriage licenses at Wilmington are the following: "Jacob Merydith and Martha Merydith,

both of Kent County, in Delaware State, 3 March, 1789." "Samuel Merydith and Mary Beardley, both of Kent County, in Delaware State, 12 March, 1789."

It is very probable that this family followed the Griffin emigration to western Pennsylvania. Susanna M. Griffin (131), in 1874, writes that Joseph E. Griffin (231) "has gone back to Texas. His cousin Meredith whom he left in charge of his place, has died." Charles B. Griffin, son of Joseph, writes that "there was a relationship [between the Griffin and Meredith families]. Captain Meredith was quite a well-known character in the New Geneva section of Fayette county. He had two sons, Enoch and Jacob. Jacob came to Texas with my father in 1851, and died about 1873. His father and brother are both dead." James W. Nicholson, of New Geneva, writes me that he was personally acquainted with some of the Merediths of Fayette county, and that they were related to the Griffins. They have all left the county.

I find recorded: "The petition of Sarah Meredith, formerly the wife of Ezekiel Griffin, late of Springhill Township, dec'd, and administratrix," etc. This may explain a relationship with Ezekiel Griffin's descendants.

(25) SAMUEL GRIFFIN (Samuel, 6, Samuel), born 1749; died 1795; married MARY REES, born 1747; died 1823; daughter of John and Hester Rees, of Little Creek hundred, Kent county.

CHILDREN.

(75) I. Rachel, born 18 December, 1769; died 25 December, 1790; married Jacob Anderson.

(76) II. John, born 11 April, 1772; died 8 February, 1798; married Elizabeth Rotheram.

(77) III. Ann, born 19 June, 1774; died 15 May, 1821; married Enoch Jones.

(78) IV. Owen, born 15 September, 1776; died 19 November, 1789.

(79) V. Thomas, born 3 August, 1779; died 31 July, 1807; married, (1), Rebecca Wilds, (2), Martha Durborough.

(80) VI. Esther, born 2 February, 1781; died 2 January, 1815; married John Saunders.

(81) VII. Mary, born 24 April, 1783; died 24 December, 1811; unmarried.

(82) VIII. Samuel, born 17 January, 1786; died 28 July, 1793.

(83) IX. Isaac, born 3 September, 1789; died 6 December, 1809; unmarried. This Isaac Griffin was called Jr., probably

to distinguish him from his uncle Isaac Griffin who went to Fayette county, Pa.

## SAMUEL GRIFFIN'S WILL.

I, Samuel Griffin of Duck Creek Hundred, Kent County and State of Delaware, being weak in Body, but of Sound Mind and Memory (blessed be God) on this ninth day of January, in the year of our Lord Christ, seventeen hundred and ninety five, Make and publish this my last Will and Testament, in manner following. I give and bequeath My Mill with the Lots, houses and appurtenances thereunto belonging unto my son John Griffin, his heirs & assigns forever. Item. I give and bequeath unto my son Thomas Griffin, his heirs and assigns forever, all my mansion or Dwelling Farm with all the Buildings and appurtenances thereunto belonging. Item. I give and bequeath unto my son Isaac Griffin, his heirs and assigns forever, all my Forrest farm adjoining lands late of Aquilla Attax and Nathaniel Wilds & others, with the buildings and all the appurtenances thereunto belonging. Item. I give and bequeath unto my daughter Ann thirty pounds, good lawful current money, to be paid by my son John Griffin, out of his part of my estate. Item. I give and bequeath unto my daughters Esther and Mary each sixty pounds lawful current money, and each a good Bed & furniture, and also to each a good horse & saddle worth thirty seven pounds & ten shillings current money of this State & the United States, to be paid by my son Thomas Griffin out of his part of my real Estate when my daughters Esther and Mary arrive to the age of twenty one years, and likewise two Cows and Calves to each of these my last mentioned daughters & to be paid by my son Thomas, as last mentioned. Item. I give and bequeath unto my Daughters Esther and Mary and my son Isaac and each and every of them their Schooling & boarding & Clothing till they do arrive to the age of twenty one years, to be given them out of my real estate by my Executors hereafter mentioned. I do also will that all my just debts be first paid out of my estate, real and personal, by my executors hereafter mentioned.

I do also will that my Negro man Ben be manumitted after the term of five years after this present date.

I do in like manner will that my negro girl Sylphia be manumitted after the term of seven years after this present date.

I make and ordain my beloved wife Mary executrix and my son John Griffin executor and both & each jointly & severally of this my last Will and Testament. In Witness thereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day & year above written.

(Signed) SAMUEL GRIFFIN.

Witnesses: JAMES JONES,
JOSEPH MEREDITH.

Proved at Dover, Kent County, Delaware, February 4, 1795.

## WILL OF MARY GRIFFIN.

I, Mary Griffin, of Duck Creek Hundred in the county of Kent and State of Delaware, being advanced to old age and infirm but of sound disposing mind and memory and being desirous to settle my temporal affairs do make and publish this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following, hereby revoking all former Will or Wills by me heretofore made, that is to say: First, I give and bequeath unto my beloved grandson Jacob Rothram Griffin all my right, title, interest, property claim and demand of, in or unto a certain parcel or tract of land situate in the hundred and county aforesaid adjoining of Nathaniel Wilds, William Ringold and others said to contain two hundred and two acres be the same more or less it being the same lands I purchased of Enoch Jones and Ann his wife and John Saunders and Hester his wife together with all and singular the appurtenances to him the said Jacob Rotheram Griffin his heirs and assigns forever also to the said Jacob R. Griffin three shares of the stock in the Commercial Bank of Smyrna. Secondly, I give and bequeath unto the children of John Sanders who married my Daughter Hester the sum of fifty Dollars to be paid in one year after my death to be equally divided between the said children share and share alike to be paid out of my personal Estate. Thirdly, I give and bequeath unto Ann Jones wife of Enoch Jones fifty Dollars to be paid in one year after my decease to be paid out of my personal Estate. Fourthly, I give and bequeath unto Eliza Howard

wife of William Howard thirty dollars to be paid in one year from my decease to be paid out of my personal Estate. Fifthly, I give and bequeath to the Trustees of the Baptist meeting house near Kenton and their successors in office the sum of Six Dollars to be paid annually and I do hereby order and direct that the same shall become a rent charge on the tract of land hereinafter devised unto my Grandson Samuel Griffin to be paid by him his heirs and assigns or the possessor thereof. Sixthly, I give and bequeath unto my Grandson Samuel Griffin all that tract or parcel of land whereon I now dwell which I purchased of the Sheriff of Kent County it being late the property of my son Thomas Griffin and was sold for the payment of his debts situate in Duck Creek hundred aforesaid to him the said Samuel Griffin his heirs and assigns forever but in case it should so happen that the said Samuel Griffin should die without lawful issue I give and bequeath the said tract of land and appurtenances unto my grandson Jacob Rothram Griffin his heirs and assigns forever. Seventhly, I give and bequeath unto my Grandson Jacob Rothram Griffin all my right, title, interest, claim and demand of, in or unto a certain tract of land which fell to me in consequence of the death of my brother Thomas Rees, situate in little creek hundred to him the said Jacob Rothram Griffin his heirs and assigns forever. Lastly, I give and bequeath unto my Grandson Samuel Griffin all the rest and residue of my real and personal Estate be it of what nature or kind it may be and wherever found or situate to him his heirs and assigns forever and I do hereby constitute and appoint my said grandson Samuel Griffin whole and sole Executor of this my last will and Testament hereby revoking all other or former will or Wills by me made. In witness whereof the said Mary Griffin hath hereunto set her hand & seal this twenty ninth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty, 1820.

MARY GRIFFIN.

Witnesses: GEORGE CUMMINS,
JOSEPH LATEHAM.

Probated at Dover, Kent County, Del., May 24th, 1823.

The following was copied from the record book

of the Welsh Tract Baptist church: "1780. Then was baptised Samuel Griffith and Mary Griffith from Kent, received into full communion."

The Griffin family—particularly the branches of Samuel and Matthew—has been closely identified with the Bryn Zion Baptist church—the oldest offshoot of the parent church of Pencader hundred—since its beginning as a separate Baptist society. We learn from Morgan Edwards, that, when the number of Baptists in Duck Creek hundred had increased to thirty, they petitioned the Welsh Tract church for leave to become a separate church. Their petition was granted 24 November, 1781. Of the thirty petitioners, eight were of the family of Griffin. Their names are as follows, namely, Samuel Griffin and Mary Griffin (his wife), Martha Griffin (his mother), Rachel Griffin and Elizabeth Griffin (his sisters), Mary Griffin, Jr. (wife of Isaac Griffin), Lydia Griffin (widow of Matthew Griffin), and Elizabeth Roe (her daughter). This church is located about three-quarters of a mile northeast of the town of Kenton. It faces the main road leading from Smyrna to Kenton, and is on a corner made by a cross road coming from the Middle Alley road. The building is of brick, and was built in 1771. The site was first occupied by the Independents; but in course of time this society dwindled away, and, as they had neglected to have the lot conveyed over to them, it reverted to the

original owners, John and Philemon Dickinson,[12] who conveyed it by deed, bearing date, 17 November, 1772, to the Baptists, who had made use of the building some time previous to this. (Scharf's "History of the State of Delaware.")

The tract of land on which Mary Griffin laid the perpetual rent charge of six dollars annually to be paid to the trustees, and their successors, of the Bryn Zion church, and which farm she devised to her grandson Samuel Griffin, was located hard by the meeting-house, on the east side of the road leading from the Lower to the Middle Alley road. This was the dwelling-farm of Samuel Griffin (25), and was probably a part of the purchase called "Partnership," bought by Samuel Griffin (6) in 1763.

From the records of births, deaths and marriages contained in the family Bible of Samuel Griffin it

[12] John and Philemon Dickinson were sons of Samuel D. Dickinson, who moved from the Eastern Shore of Maryland to near Dover in 1740. He became Chief Justice of the county of Kent. John Dickinson, born in Maryland, 13 November, 1732, died in Wilmington, Del., 14 February, 1808, was a lawyer, and established himself in Philadelphia for the practice of his profession. He was a distinguished publicist, and was the first president of Pennsylvania. He was the author of the "Farmer's Letters," which were of such great help to the colonists in the beginning of their struggle with the British Parliament. Philemon Dickinson, born in Croisedore, Talbot county, Md., 5 April, 1739, died near Trenton, N. J., 4 February, 1804, was a soldier in the Revolutionary War. He became Major-General of the New Jersey forces, and displayed great bravery at the battle of Monmouth, and on other occasions.

is learned that this branch of the family adopted the English spelling of their name about the year 1790. These records show that Owen Griffith died in 1789; that Samuel Griffith was born in 1786, but died in 1793 as Samuel Griffin.

In 1782, Samuel Griffin purchased from Samuel Chew, son of Samuel Chew, a tract containing more than 400 acres, a portion of the Manor of Frieth. This tract was, apparently, the land which he designated in his will as his "Forrest farm," adjoining the lands of Nathaniel Wilds, and others. (See plan.)

Concerning the acquisition of his mill property, see under William Griffin, 2.

A Draught of that part of the Mannor of Frieth situate in Duck Creek Hundred . . . Which on the Division of the Real Estate of Sam'l Chew, Esq., dec'd, among his Legal Heirs . . . was allotted . . . unto his Son Samuel Chew, . . . said to contain 332½ acres: But on accurate survey thereof made on the 29th day of January . . . 1782, at the request of Sam'l Griffin, who hath purchased the same, . . . it is found to contain . . . [etc.] By Mark McCall, Surv'r.

Land of Robert Woods Heirs, part of Jones's Pasture.

Land late of Peter Numbers, dec'd, but now belonging to Isaac Carty,—part of the Tract called Jones's Pasture.

Stake near W. O. Sap. separating the parts of Jones's Pasture belonging to Isaac Carty & Heirs of Rob't Wood.

Line of Jones's S. 84½° W. 152 P. Pasture.

Southermost Line of ye Mannor.

Beginning Stake cor. Nath'l Wilds's Land, separating the Mannor from a Tract called Jones's Pasture.

N. B. From this cor. ye breadth of Anne Galloways Allottment is Westward 152 P. to a Stake in the Turkey Swamp in the Mannor Line: and from that Stake Elizabeth Tilghman's Allottment has 161½ P. breadth to ye cor. R. O. of the Mannor.

This part of the Mannor of Frieth was, on the Division made among the Heirs and Representatives of Samuel Chew thereof, allotted and laid off unto his son Samuel Chew for 332½ Acres: But on ye survey thereof made for Samuel Griffin the Lines were all found to be considerably longer than what they were called on the Division, and thereby the same now found to contain 401 acres and 48½ square Pr. neat measure.

Land laid off unto John Chew on the Division of his Father Samuel Chew part of the Mannor of Frieth among his Heirs and Representatives.

Now belonging to Nathaniel Wilds.

Part of the Mannor of Frieth allotted unto Anne Galloway, the wife of Samuel Galloway, on the Division made thereof among the Heirs and Representatives of Sam'l Chew, dec'd.

S. 5° 9' E. 417.9 P.

N. 5½° W. 420 P.

Cor. Stake of Nath'l Wilds Land in the Southside of Rich'd Burris's Improv't . . . a small distance Westward of a House by the Grog Town Road.

Cor. Post eastside John Stuarts Field separating these Premises from Anne Galloway Allottment.

(A Drain of Chester River on this end of tract.)

N. 85° 15' E. 154½ P.

Old Dividing way and

Line bet. Peter Gallo- Samuel Chew.

Part of the Mannor of Frieth allotted unto Peter Galloway on the division between him and Samuel Chew.

(26) Isaac Griffin (Samuel, 6, Samuel), born 27 February, 1751, in Duck Creek hundred, Kent county, Delaware; died 12 October, 1827, in Nicholson township, Fayette county, Pennsylvania; married, 10 March, 1774, Mary Morris, born 28 July, 1756; died 23 May, 1835; daughter of James and Ann (Tilton) Morris, of Duck Creek Cross Roads (now Smyrna), Delaware.

CHILDREN.

(84) I. Ann, born 22 May, 1776; died 22 February, 1834; married James Witter Nicholson.

(85) II. Martha, born 1 May, 1779; died 20 May, 1826; unmarried.

(86) III. Harriet, born 5 March, 1782; died 18 March, 1835; married Edward Hall.

(87) IV. Samuel, born 16 August, 1785; died 9 March, 1838; married Esther Smyth.

(88) V. Mary Morris, born 1 January, 1787; died 9 July, 1842; married Andrew Oliphant.

(89) VI. Ebenezer, born 12 August, 1788; died ——; married Leah Clawson.

(90) VII. James Morris, born 27 December, 1789; died 18 December, 1812; unmarried.

(91) VIII. Elizabeth, born 26 November, 1791; died 14 March, 1831; married Daniel Haymond.

(92) IX. Isaac, born 27 December, 1793; died 20 February, 1826; married Ann Griffin.

(93) X. Margaret, born 13 July, 1795; died 5 October, 1870; unmarried.

The following pedigree of Mary Morris is said to have been compiled from the Morris Bible in the possession of J. B. Gilfillan. It was furnished by Mrs. Elizabeth Linn, of Minneapolis, Minn., a granddaughter of Isaac Griffin.

"Anthony, son of Anthony Morris and Elizabeth Senior, baptized the 25th day of August, 1654—being then but two days old, as saith the Parish Records of St. Dunstan Stepney, of London, in the kingdom of Great Britain." (From a manuscript written by Anthony Morris, "in his Folio Bible.")

Anthony Morris (1) was lost at sea. Anthony (2), son of Anthony and Elizabeth (Senior) Morris, married his first wife, Mary Jones (he was married four times), before coming to this country. He arrived in New Jersey (at Burlington) in 1678. He soon moved to Philadelphia, where he was prominent in social and political circles. He was the second mayor of Philadelphia (Edward Shippen was the first). His name is frequently mentioned in the early history of that city. His son, James Morris (3), married Margaret Cook, and their son, James Morris, Jr. (4), married Ann Tilton; and

these were the parents of Mary Morris (5), wife of Isaac Griffin. James Morris (3) took up land in Kent county, on the south side of the main branch of Duck Creek, and was living there 4th mo., 2nd, 1714. (Pennsylvania Archives, 2nd series, Vol. 19, pp. 580, 612.)

Isaac Griffin enlisted in the Continental army, January, 1776, for one year, in Colonel Haslet's regiment, 1st Company, Captain John Patten. He went into active service in August, and was under fire at the battle of Long Island, where Col. Haslet's men assisted the Maryland Line in holding the British troops at bay until Washington withdrew his forces across East river. The regiment again distinguished itself at White Plains, and was publicly thanked by Lord Sterling, who was in command. He was in the fighting at Trenton, and was at Princeton, where his colonel was killed.

The following letter to his wife belongs to this period of his service:

MORRISTOWN, *Feb.* 1, 1777.

MY DEAR WIFE—

I cannot neglect the opportunity of informing you where I am, and likewise concerning my health. We arrived at Morristown Sunday evening, Jan. 26th, after a most fatiguing March and have remained here since. Our time is now out and our people are returning home. I shall stay a few days longer with Benny Hazen who is extremely bad, and has been sick about a week. Notwithstanding the desire I have to come home and see my dear little girls, I could not leave Hazen so far from home, at the point of death, without friends or relatives. As soon as he is able to travel we shall proceed homeward.

We have very little news at Headquarters. To day was heard a very heavy firing towards Brunswick, but we have no particulars. Our Militia gets no honour by this tramp. The General was very angry at their going home without rendering any benefit to the Colonies.[13] I have been very hearty since I left home—have sometimes a little of the Sciataka and quickstep, as we call it here, but nothing to hurt me.

I shall conclude by wishing you all manner of health and happiness until my return, which I hope will be shortly. Remember me to all enquiring friends and accept my love.

from your Husband,

(Signed) ISAAC GRIFFITH.

To Polly Griffith.

Isaac Griffin's stay at home must have been short; for it is found he soon afterwards re-enlisted. Inquiry at the Department of State, Washington, D. C., brought the following reply:

"On the Muster roll of Captain Robert Kirkwood's Company in the Delaware Regiment, commanded by Col. David Hall, Sept. 9, 1778, in the custody of this Department, the name of Isaac Griffin

[13] Colonel Thomas Collins was ordered by Washington to report with his Delaware militia at Morristown, for immediate service. It appears that they marched to Morristown and then marched back again, without rendering the country any service. Washington, in a letter to Col. Collins, dated January 21st, 1777, says: "To my great surprise I was applied to this morning to discharge your Battalion. If I am not mistaken it came in on Sunday last . . . What service have they been of? None—unless marching from home . . . and staying four weeks on the way can be called service." It is probable that their reason for asking to be discharged was that their time had expired; for, Washington in the same letter says: "their time of service cannot commence till they were equipped and ready to take the field. Dating it from thence they ought to stay six weeks after they marched from Philadelphia." He would not discharge them, nor would allow them pay for the time they were with him. ("More Colonial Homesteads," by Marion Harland, p. 359.)

As it would appear from Isaac Griffin's letter, they had begun the homeward march before the 1st of February.

appears as a private who enlisted for the war, and at the above date was reported sick in camp."

(Signed) E. D. Renick,
*Chief Clerk.*

He was again, in 1781, reported in camp near New York. The Delaware Line "had a record second to none in the Army." It participated in the battles of Brandywine, Germantown and Monmouth, and was at Valley Forge during the winter of 1777–78. Going south in 1781, the regiment was almost annihilated at the battle of Camden. The remnant was incorporated with the Maryland Line; and, together, they won many laurels. Kirkwood's Battalion was praised by Baron de Kalb, and was thanked by Congress after the battle of Cowpens.

Soon after peace was established Isaac Griffin is again found at his home in Delaware. It appears from "The Minutes of the Council of the Delaware State," that, at the general election held at Duck Creek Cross Roads on the first day of October, 1783, there were, as it is expressed by the committee which investigated the affair, some disorderly and violent proceedings, during which "a box containing the votes then remaining to be read at one of the polls" was carried off. In the investigation which followed, several persons connected with the Griffin family, either bearing its name or joined to it by marriage, are mentioned, either as participants

or witnesses of the proceedings. They were Samuel Griffin, Isaac Griffin, Joseph Meredith and Enoch Jones. Isaac Griffin is the only one who received any censure as a participant; the others were called as witnesses. It is given as the cause for the disturbance that persons had been allowed to vote who had not taken the oath of allegiance; in other words, they had been enemies to the cause for which Isaac Griffin had been fighting and suffering. That such persons had voted was admitted in the investigation. The disgust occasioned by this affair may have had something to do in causing his emigration from the State.

Isaac Griffin, like the rest of his family at that time, was a slave owner. With few exceptions, they, when making their wills, made provision for giving freedom to some of their slaves. This must, in a great measure, be attributed to the humane influence of their Quaker neighbors, with whom they were more or less in sympathy, and with whom they had contracted marriage alliances. That it was Quaker influence that induced Isaac Griffin to liberate his slaves is evident; for, it is found recorded in the manumission book of the Friends' Meeting of Duck Creek, as follows:

"I, Isaac Griffin, of Kent County, Delaware State, do hereby manumit and set free all my negroes hereafter named, to witt: Richard, aged 31; Jacob, aged 27; Jemima, aged 38; Sampson, aged

40." And he bound himself in a penal bond of one hundred pounds to each and every negro named to faithfully carry out this agreement. It is signed 23 December, 1782, and was witnessed by Samuel Pattison and Josiah Wallace.[14]

Another instance of his charity is given by Morgan Edwards, in his "History of the Baptists of Delaware." Among the temporalities of the Society of Duck Creek Cross Roads, according to Edwards, was "a lot in the town, measuring 7 perches square, the gift of Isaac and Mary Griffin, their deed bearing date of July 1, 1789."

In 1796, Isaac Griffin had established his family in some degree of comfort in their new home, in Fayette county, Pennsylvania, whither he had gone soon after the close of the Revolutionary War. From all accounts he returned to Delaware after his first visit and remained some years before settling permanently in that region. His daughters were all educated in Delaware, most of them at the school of Miss Susan Hanson, in Wilmington. They made the journeys there and back on horseback.

The following account is taken almost literally

[14] An examination of the above-mentioned manumission book discloses the fact that there were set free through the efforts of the Society of Friends of Kent county, from 1775 to 1792, seven hundred and sixteen negro slaves.

from Ellis's "History of Fayette County," Pennsylvania.

Isaac Griffin was one of the pioneer settlers, as well as one of the most prominent men in public and private life for many years in what is now Nicholson township, owning a large amount of land there, a part of which is known as the Morris farm. He was a native of Delaware, being born and reared in Kent county in that State. Although wild and reckless while young, he won the heart of a young Quakeress, named Mary Morris, whose family were strict Friends. She was locked in a room upstairs to prevent her union with the young worldling. He found out the situation, obtained a ladder, put it to the window, and she climbed down and eloped with him. This bit of romance has been handed down in that neighborhood to this day. A meeting of the Friends was called, when she was notified that, "If thee will say thee is sorry that thee married Isaac, thee can stay in." But as she would not say it, she was expelled from their membership.

Isaac Griffin was a captain [there is no evidence that he was an officer] in the war of the Revolution, and had a great deal of trouble with the Tories, who were very numerous in Delaware. He was mainly instrumental in capturing their leader, Chany Clow, who was executed. When Clow came home from the Tory camp, Captain Griffin with his company surrounded the house. He was accompa-

nied by Major Moore. It was dark, and in attempting to reach the door Griffin stumbled and fell. Major Moore got ahead of him and was shot dead by Clow, who said he was sorry it was not Griffin. The adherents of Clow hated Griffin intensely, and after the close of the war his personal safety was endangered. This in part caused him to change his residence.[15]

He bought his first lands in Springhill (now Nicholson) township, Fayette Co., Pa., of the Hardins, but the Indians lingering near, his wife feared to move there. He then traded his western lands to his relative, Charles Griffin, for a farm in Delaware, where the town of Clayton now stands. His wife having lost her health, and his enemies constantly harassing him, she finally consented to go to Western Pennsylvania. He again visited the West and bought land of the Evanses. He afterwards bought several farms, and became one of the most successful stock-raisers on the Monongahela.

[15] "Cheney Clow. Husbandman of Little Creek, Delaware. In 1778 he was required to surrender himself, or to suffer the forfeiture of his estate, both real and personal." ("Biographical Sketches of Loyalists of the American Revolution." By Lorenzo Sabine. 2 vols. Boston, 1864.)

In the "Biographical and Genealogical History of Delaware," it is stated, under James E. B. Clark, page 754, that: "In 1836 Mr. Clark purchased a small farm in what was then Duck Creek [now Kenton] hundred. On this tract of land stood the Chainey Clouds fort." This land is situated near Downs's Chapel.

Mr. Griffin owned a few negro slaves that he brought with him to Fayette county. [This is evidently an error, as it has been shown that he liberated *all* his slaves in Delaware.] Soon after he became a citizen of Pennsylvania, the Governor [Mifflin] appointed him justice of the peace, in 1794, in which capacity he served several years. [The charter of New Geneva was acknowledged by Albert Gallatin before him, 31 October, 1797.]

In 1807 he was elected to the Legislature, and was re-elected until he had served four successive terms. In 1809 there were six candidates for the office, but Mr. Griffin ran ahead of all the others, receiving the entire vote of Fayette Co., with the exception of about two hundred votes. Although living in the opposite end of Fayette county from Mr. John Smilie, Mr. Griffin was appointed by that gentlemen one of the executors of his will, and at his death in 1812, Mr. Griffin was elected to Congress as Mr. Smilie's successor. It is related of him that upon being notified of his election he brought cloth of home manufacture to Thomas Williams, Esq., of New Geneva, for the purpose of having him make him a suit of clothes. He informed the persons present that "he raised the sheep, carded, spun, dyed and wove the cloth on his premises." At a mass-meeting in Uniontown he was nominated for Congress by acclamation. At the election his competitor was General Thomas Meason, a prom-

inent member of the Fayette county bar. He defeated General Meason by a large majority, and was once re-elected without opposition. He served in the Thirteenth and Fourteenth Congresses. In 1812 a gloom was cast over him by the death of his favorite son, James Morris Griffin, who was killed in battle in the war with England.

Mr. Griffin voted to sustain Mr. Madison in all his war measures, and ever enjoyed his confidence, as well as that of his constituents. For no vote that he gave during the ten years that he was in public life was he censured; but for a vote that he did not give he was blamed. It was said that when the vote was taken to increase the pay of members of Congress he was not in the house. He felt stung by the comments of a writer in his home paper, and would not allow his name used as a candidate for re-election.

In 1824 Mr. Griffin was a Crawford electoral candidate for the Fayette district, but was, of course, defeated, as the State went largely for Jackson. Mr. Griffin could never be induced to make a public speech, but his conversational powers were of a high order, and these made him a general favorite. The ablest men of the nation would with pleasure listen to him talk. His personal dislike to General Jackson was caused by the hanging of Alexander Arbuthnot and Robert C. Ambrister in Florida after they were cleared by court-martial.

This opposition to General Jackson caused Mr. Griffin to lose his popularity among his neighbors, where Jackson was a great favorite.

Mr. Griffin had features of the Roman type, with black hair and deep blue eyes. In height he was six feet and two inches, and had a powerful physical organization. Although he was modest and retiring, he possessed a chivalric nature, and he was not slow to resent an insult. While in Congress he had a difficulty with a member from South Carolina, which would have been a serious affair but for the timely interference of other members. At a public dinner in Uniontown, an Englishman, who was an officer of the old Uniontown Bank, spoke of Mrs. Madison in the most disgraceful terms, and for this act of ill-breeding Mr. Griffin knocked him down at the table, an act for which he was greatly applauded at the time.

Soon after he settled in his new home in Fayette county, his wife joined Father Woodbridge's Seventh-Day Baptist Church, and remained a consistent member until her death, which occurred in her eightieth year, although she had been an invalid for fifty years. Her husband, although not a member, gave his support to the regular Baptist church. This caused them to have a Sabbath and a Sunday in their house for about forty years, but this occasioned no jar, for everything moved on smoothly, and they traveled life's pathway harmon-

iously, although differing widely in most things. After Mr. Griffin retired from public life he remained on his farm until his death, at the age of seventy years, occasioned by a fall from a loaded wagon. The Rev. John Patton, of the Baptist Church [also an emigrant from Delaware], who performed the funeral service, said, "Mr. Griffin did not attach himself to the church for reasons best known to himself, but he was an Israelite, indeed, in whom there was no guile."

He was buried on the farm where he lived and died, and which he called "Providence." Buried in the same place are his wife and two unmarried daughters, Martha and Margaret.

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(27) SAMUEL GRIFFIN (Matthew, 9, Samuel), born ——; died in 1790; married ELIZABETH ——.

CHILDREN.

(94) I. John, born 12 August, 1778; died 6 October, 1826; married Sarah Knotts.

(95) II. William, born ——; died ——; married Sarah McKee. He was one of the executors of John Griffin's will.

(96) III. James, born ——.

(97) IV. Ebenezer, born ——; died —— (drowned in Crooked Run, Dunkard township, Green county, Pa., about 1831); unmarried.

Letters of administration on the estate of Samuel Griffin, of Appoquinimink hundred, were granted to Elizabeth Griffin, widow, with Matthew Griffin and John Francis on bond, 18 April, 1790. The names of Samuel Griffin's children, as given above, were obtained from a descendant of John, living in Illinois. They all emigrated to western Pennsylvania.

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(28) DAVID GRIFFIN (Matthew, 9, Samuel), born in 1750; died 15 March, 1790; married JEMIMA SPRUANCE, born 1757; died 25 November, 1820; daughter of John Spruance and Mary Barratt (widow Worrell). Jemima Griffin married, secondly, David Rees. For her will see REES FAMILY.

CHILDREN.

(98) I. Mary, born 25 June, 1778; died young.

(99) II. John Spruance, born 11 October, 1780; died 28 February, 1832; married Elizabeth Broadaway (widow Marsh).

(100) III. Lydia, born 27 January, 1783; died 22 October, 1811; married Eli Covington.

(101) IV. Vashti, born 14 September, 1785; died young.

(102) V. David, born 1 March, 1789; died young.

(29) MATTHEW GRIFFIN (Matthew, 9, Samuel), born ——; died 9 April, 1797; married ELEANOR ——.

CHILDREN.

(103) I. Elizabeth, born ——; died ——; married —— Benn.

(104) II. Joseph, born ——; died 9 October, 1823.

(105) III. Temperance, born ——.

(106) IV. Matthew, born ——.

The names of the children of Matthew Griffin were obtained from his will. There is very little information concerning this family. The dates of death were furnished by Mrs. Laura E. Sapp.

Joseph Griffin was a farmer, and lived on a farm adjoining the Griffin mill property on the north. It is recorded in the Orphans' Court at Wilmington, under date of 10 December, 1799, that, "Joseph Griffin minor orphan child of Matthew Griffin, late of this County, chuseth for Guardian James Tippett." He was, therefore, at least fourteen years old at that date, which would make the probable date of his birth about the year 1785.

WILL OF MATTHEW GRIFFIN.

In the name of God, Amen, the fourth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety-seven, I, *Matthew Griffin* of Appoquinimink hundred and county of New Castle in the

state of Delaware being sick & weak in body but of sound and perfect mind and memory thanks be given unto God for the same and calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my last will and testament, that is to say, principally and first of all I give and recommend my soul into the hands of God that gave it and for my body I recommend it to the earth to be buried in a christian like manner at the discretion of my executors and as touching such worldly estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this life I give, devise and dispose of the same in manner and form following, that is to say, I give, bequeath and devise unto my beloved wife *Eleanor Griffin* the plantation on which I now live during her natural life with the third part of my moveable estate after my debts are paid. *Item.* I give, bequeath and devise to my daughter *Elizabeth Benn* the plantation where my brother Ebenezer now lives (formerly the property of *Abraham Taylor*) to her and the heirs of her body forever with paying what is hereafter mentioned to be paid by her and quitting her claim to a horse I gave her. *Item.* I give and bequeath to my son *Joseph Griffin* that plantation where *George Hilton* now lives adjoining *John Griffin's* mill and my plantation first mentioned beginning at Duck Creek mill pond now in the possession of Redgrave and Blackiston and running with the fence as it now stands between the plantations till it comes to the woodland then with a strait line with the last course of the fence through the woodland till it intersects the lands lately the property of *Isaac Thomas*, to him his heirs and assigns forever, with paying what is hereafter mentioned to be paid by him. *Item.* I give, bequeath and devise unto my Daughter *Temperance Griffin* the first mentioned plantation after the decease of my wife Eleanor aforesaid to her and the heirs of her body forever and my will is that Elizabeth & Joseph aforesaid shall pay the aforesaid Temperance yearly a proportionable part off or from their plantations in order for her support so long as my wife Eleanor shall life. *Item.* I give and bequeath to my son *Matthew* the sum of one hundred pounds to be levied off the aforesaid lands in proportion to the values thereof and to be paid to him when he arrives to the age of twenty one years, clear of interest till he is fifteen years old and likewise to be supported and raised clear

of costs, out of the aforesaid estate and it is my will that if either of my aforesaid children shall die before they have lawful heirs then and in that case my son Matthew aforesaid is to have their part by quitting claim to his legacy aforesaid, but if more than one should die after the said Matthew shall have one part then and in that case it is to be an equall division amongst the survivors, and further if there is anything left of moveable estate after my debts is paid my will is that it be equale divided between my four children aforesaid, and I do hereby constitute, make and ordain my wife *Eleanor Griffin* and my brother *Ebenezer Griffin* my only and sole Executors of this my last will and testament and I do hereby utterly disallow, revoke and disannul all and every other former testaments, wills, and legacies, bequests and executors by me in any wise before this time named, willed and bequeathed, ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last will and testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year first herein written.

MATTHEW GRIFFIN.

Witness:—PRESLE SPRUANCE,
JOHN BENT,
DANIEL DAVID.

Proved at Dover, Kent County, Del., June 6, 1797.

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(30) WILLIAM GRIFFIN (Matthew, 9, Samuel), born 1754; died 1803; married, (1), ANN ——, (2), HESTER ——.

CHILDREN.

(107) I. Elizabeth, born ——.

(108) II. John, born ——.

(109) III. Mary, born ——; died ——; married William Hutchison.

(110) IV. William, born 8 September, 1799; died 15 March, 1881; married Ann Clements, widow of Thomas Dunn.

In Lydia Griffin's will there is mentioned "my granddaughter Elizabeth Griffin, daughter of my son William." There is recorded at Dover the will of Ann Griffin, of Duck Creek hundred, dated 22 May, 1781, proved 15 December, 1781, in which are mentioned husband William Griffin, uncles Richard and James Darling and aunt Sarah Burrows. Witnesses: Ebenezer Griffin, Rachel Greenwood and Daniel David, Jr. Will of William Griffin, of Duck Creek hundred, is dated 30 June, 1803. He names his wife Hester and sons John and William. His estate adjoined Benjamin Blackiston's and David Rees's.

A great-grandson of William Griffin writes that his great-grandfather died in 1803, in the 49th year of his age, leaving three children, John, Mary and William. It is probable, therefore, that William Griffin was married twice, and that his daughter Elizabeth was by his first wife Ann.

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(31) Lydia Griffin (Matthew, 9, Samuel), born ——; died ——; married —— Wells.

CHILDREN.

(111) I. Mary Wells, born ——.

All the information I have of this daughter is obtained from the grandmother's will, wherein is mentioned a granddaughter, Mary Wells, who must have been a child of Lydia Griffin, as, according to the same will, the other daughter, Elizabeth, married a Roe.

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(33) Ebenezer Griffin (Matthew, 9, Samuel), born ——; died ——; married ——.

CHILDREN.

(112) I. Jacob, born in 1782; died in 1848; married Rebecca Hayden.

Nothing more is known of Ebenezer Griffin. This information was obtained from James Griffin, son of Jacob.

## FOURTH GENERATION.

(34) Charles Griffin (Charles, 10, William, Samuel), born 25 December, 1777; died 30 December, 1860; married Ann Combs, born 8 February, 1785; died 19 August, 1846; daughter of Joseph and Rachel Combs.

CHILDREN.

(113) I. David Franklin, born 21 October, 1808; died ——; married Ruth Morgan.

(114) II. Mary Marie, born 15 June, 1810; died 16 December, 1893; married James Linn, of Washington, Washington county, Pa. They lived in Franklin county, Ohio. No issue.

(115) III. Charles, born 27 March, 1812; died in 1821.

(116) IV. William Harrison, born 1 May, 1814; died 24 March, 1862; married Lucinda McMasters.

(117) V. Ann, born 1 August, 1816; married Robison Pumphrey.

(118) VI. Alfred Milton, born 1 May, 1818.

(119) VII. George Washington, born 11 December, 1820; died ——. He went to California in 1849.

(120) VIII. Hamilton Rogers, born 13 May, 1823; died 7 June, 1892; married Nancy ——.

Charles Griffin, it is said, was four years old when his parents emigrated from Delaware to Fayette county, Pennsylvania. He lived, in the latter State, in a large stone house built by his father, about one and a half miles from the iron-works of Andrew Oliphant, on George's creek. Ann Combs is said to have been born in eastern Pennsylvania. There were people of the name of Coombs contemporaries and neighbors of Charles Griffin in Fayette county. (See Ellis's "History of Fayette County.") An Ann Coombs was a member of the Mount Moriah Baptist church in 1784.

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(35) WILLIAM GRIFFIN (Charles, 10, William, Samuel), born ——; died September, 1832; married RHODA PIERCE.

CHILDREN.

(121) I. Isaac, born ——.

(122) II. John, born ——; died ——; married Isabella Luchy.

(123) III. Rhoda, born ——; died ——; married John Roderick.

(124) IV. Charles, born ——; died ——; married Mary Shipley. He moved to Rush

county, Indiana, in 1836. He had three sons and three daughters. Some of the latter are living in Rushville, the county seat.

(125) V. Sarah, born ——; died ——; married Levi Britt.

(126) VI. Susan, born ——; died ——; married Thomas Stentz.

(127) VII. William Pierce, born 2 September, 1809; died 1 March, 1901; married Mary Ann Gans.

(128) VIII. Son, born ——; killed by lightning.

William Griffin was a miller. He had ten children, two dying young.

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(38) Jabez Griffin (William, 11, William, Samuel), born 1768; died 30th 12th mo., 1804, aged 37 years; married, 13th 9th mo., 1792, Sarah Levick, born 23d 9th mo., 1773; died 31st 3d mo., 1849; daughter of William Levick and Susanna Manlove, daughter of Mark Manlove.

CHILDREN.

(129) I. William Levick, born 12th 12th mo., 1793; died 13th 4th mo., 1825, in Philadelphia, Pa.; unmarried. The certificate of removal of William

Griffin, minor, from Duck Creek Meeting to the Northern District Meeting, of Philadelphia, bears date 6th 4th mo., 1811. It states he went there to serve an apprenticeship.

(130) II. Ann, born 11th 4th mo., 1796; died 23d 7th mo., 1878; married Elijah Weaver.

(131) III. Susanna Manlove, born 22nd 3rd mo., 1800; died 29th 10th mo., 1883; unmarried. The certificate of removal of Susanna Griffin from Duck Creek Meeting to the Philadelphia Meeting bears date 6th 8th mo., 1814. She was a member of the Green Street Meeting, and a preacher.

(132) IV. Sarah Levick, born 1st 4th mo., 1804; died 18th 9th mo., 1804.

Jabez Griffin was received into membership of the Society of Friends of Duck Creek Meeting, 7th 7th mo., 1792. He lived in Duck Creek hundred, and sat in Meeting as a representative of that hundred from 6th 10th mo., 1792 to 18th 2nd mo., 1794, and as a representative of Little Creek hundred from 12th 7th mo., 1794 to 7th 10th mo., 1797. After the latter date he returned to Duck Creek hundred and again represented it at the monthly meetings. On 7th 4th mo., 1798, he was

proposed for the station of overseer of the Duck Creek Preparative Meeting.

The certificate of removal of Sarah Griffin from Duck Creek Meeting to Haddonfield Meeting, New Jersey, bears date 3rd 4th mo., 1814.

Jabez Griffin died intestate, and letters of administration upon his estate were granted to Sarah, his widow, 18 January, 1805. According to the records of the Friends' Monthly Meeting, he died 29th 12th mo., 1804. The date given above was furnished by a grandson. In his life-time Jabez Griffin owned 16 acres of land in Appoquinimink hundred, and in a petition for the sale of this land, it is stated, he died 10 December, 1804. The petitioners were Sarah Griffin and William Denny. (I–1–511.)

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(40) SARAH GRIFFIN (William, 11, William, Samuel), born ——; died ——; married JAMES CHEFFIN, born ——; died 1833, near Blackiston's Cross Roads, Kenton hundred, Kent county (married, [2], Mary White), said to have been a soldier in the War of 1812.

CHILDREN.

(From "Biographical and Genealogical History of Delaware.")

(133) I. Ann Cheffin, born ——; died ——; married Thomas Lamb.

(134) II. Margaret Cheffin, born ——; died

——; married, (1), Thomas Numbers, (2), Charles Hackett. Both husbands died in Kent county, Md. [Susanna M. Griffin writes (1862): "Cousin Margaret Hackett has lost her husband. He was her second husband. Her name before Murray was Cheffin." From this it would appear that her first husband was named Murray.]

(135) III. Rebecca Cheffin, born ——; died ——, in Jones's Neck, Kent county, Del.; married Robert Clothier. He died in Kenton, Del.

(136) IV. James Cheffin, born ——; died ——, in New Castle county; married Elizabeth Hallett, daughter of Colonel Hallett, a soldier in the War of 1812.

(137) V. Enoch Cheffin, born ——; died ——, in Kent county, Del.; married —— Crockett.

(138) VI. Susan Cheffin, born ——; died ——, in Smyrna, Del.; married, (1), James Keyes, (2), David Richards. After the death of her first husband, in the West, the widow returned to Delaware, where she married her second husband.

(42) Ezekiel Griffin (William, 11, William, Samuel), born ——; died 1804; married Sarah Stokely (who married [2], —— Meredith).

CHILDREN.

(139) I. Ann (Nancy), born 1801; died 1870; married Isaac Griffin (92).

(140) II. William, born ——; died young, between 1804 and 1808.

Ezekiel Griffin moved to Fayette county, Pa. Letters of administration upon his estate were granted to Sarah Griffin, 16 April, 1804. The following petition is on file at the county seat of Fayette county: "The petition of Sarah Meredith, formerly the wife of Ezekiel Griffin, late of Springhill Township, dec'd, and administratrix of his estate, To the Honorable, the Judges of the Orphans' Court of the County of Fayette, at the November Term, 1808, Humbly Showeth, That Ezekiel Griffin died intestate, leaving two children, viz., Nancy and William, the latter of which is since dead and the former of which is now about seven years old. Your petitioner therefore requests that your Honors would be pleased to appoint a Guardian to take charge of her person and estate during her minority . . ."

(Signed) Sarah Meredith.

Susanna M. Griffin writes, 2nd mo., 1873: "My father's brother Ezekiel married my mother's first cousin, S. Stokely."[16]

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(44) JACOB STOUT GRIFFIN (David, 12, William, Samuel), born 30 November, 1776, in New Castle county, Delaware; died 20 February, 1851, in Preble county, Ohio; married, (1), REBECCA BRACKEN, born ——; died 1808, daughter of Henry and Jean Bracken, of Mill Creek hundred, New Castle county; married, (2), 1818, PRISCILLA REES, born 20 January, 1795; died 8 April, 1874, daughter of John and Ann (Green) Rees, of Little Creek hundred, Kent county.

CHILDREN.

By first wife.

(141) I. Elizabeth Stout, born 13 March, 1801; died 13 January, 1881; married Thomas Rees.

(142) II. Hannah, born 15 November, 1808; died 25 July, 1892; married, (1), Charles Campbell, (2), James Burns.

(143) III. Rebecca Ann, born 15 November, 1808 (twin with Hannah); died 4 July, 1896; married Boyce Eidson.

[16] The name Stokesly, but not Stokely, appears on the Minutes of the Duck Creek Monthly Meeting of Friends. On 5th mo., 1774, Benjamin Stokesly and Susanna Train were married.

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By second wife.

(144) IV. Eleanor, born 2 May, 1819; married John Cregmile.

(145) V. David, born 31 January, 1821; died 8 June, 1888; married, (1), Rachel Young, (2), ——.

24 August, 1804, there was allotted to Jacob S. Griffin in Orphans' Court a tract of land in Appoquinimink hundred, containing 64 acres and 136 perches, a portion of the estate of David Griffin. (Record I, Vol. 1, p. 344.) In a deed dated 10 April, 1817, Jacob S. Griffin conveyed to Benjamin Blackiston a tract of land in the same hundred containing 194 acres and 65 perches. This tract was conveyed by Benjamin Blackiston and Eleanor, his wife, to Thomas Rees, in a deed dated 27 October, 1817. It was in this year that Jacob S. Griffin first went west with the intention of settling there. It is probable that his first trip was undertaken for the purpose of choosing a location; for, he soon returned to Delaware where he married his second wife, and, about 1820, after the birth of their first child, he moved permanently to Ohio, and settled on Twin creek, in Preble county. He was a farmer and miller in Ohio and in Delaware.

The founder of the Bracken family in Delaware was probably William Bracken. The home of the family was in Mill Creek hundred, in the north-

western part of New Castle county. They were farmers and millers. The assessment roll of Mill Creek hundred for 1804 contains the name of Henry Bracken, "grist and saw mills." Near these mills is Brackenville, a hamlet of few houses. The mills have not been operated since 1860. "The Minute Book of Property," under the Proprietor's government gives an account of land granted to William Bracken, probably his first holding in the State. It reads as follows: "William Brackin, Lab$^{r}$ of New Castle Coun., requesting a grant of 100 A's Near Jno. Evan's, near Redclay Creek." [At a session in Philadelphia, 14th 7 mo. 1702.] The following record shows where he located. "Joshua Morgan requests 100 adjoining or near to the 100 a's lately granted to Wm. Brackyn, on Mill Creek, near Whiteclay." [Pennsylvania Archives. 2d series. Vol. 19, pp. 324, 342.]

William Bracken, "of Mill Creek Hundred, Co. New Castle, yeoman," left a will, dated 8 April, 1749, proved 28 December, 1749. The following children are mentioned therein, to wit: Thomas, John, Henry, Hannah (married James Jordan), Margaret (married Alexander Moore), Martha (married John Ball, Jr.), and Susannah (married John Gillahan).

Henry Bracken, son of William, "of Mill Creek Hundred, Co. New Castle upon Delaware, yeoman," left a will, dated 15 May, 1779, proved 26 May,

1779. The children mentioned therein are William, Hannah (married Joseph Ball), Henry, Sarah, Elizabeth and Susannah (married James Moore).

Henry Bracken, son of Henry, of Mill Creek hundred, New Castle county, left a will, dated 14 September, 1813, proved 22 September, 1813. Names mentioned therein are wife Jean, children John, Francis, William, Susan (married Anderson Anderson), Jean (married John Spruance), Margaret, Elizabeth and Henry. He mentions also his grandchildren, the children of Jacob Griffin.

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(45) SARAH GRIFFIN (David, 12, William, Samuel), born about 1780; died 1802; unmarried.

The will of Sarah Griffin, of Appoquinimink hundred, New Castle county, dated 7 April, 1802, probated 14 May, 1802, mentions her guardian David West; her deceased father, whose estate was in Appoquinimink hundred, adjoining lands of John Slaughter and David West; her deceased mother; sister Elinor; brother Jacob; and friend Stuart Redman, of Duck Creek hundred. She left a sum of money in trust to her aunt Elizabeth Freeman [sister of her mother, Hannah Stout].

In Orphans' Court, held 17 January, 1792, David West was chosen guardian for Sarah Griffin. [G-1-280.] At that date she was under 14 years

of age; as, by the laws of Delaware, a minor under that age has a guardian appointed by the Court. At the session of Orphans' Court, held 21 May, 1794, "came into Court Sarah Griffin, a minor child of David Griffin, late of Appoquinimink hundred, in this County, deceased, and chuseth for her guardian David West, of whom the Court approve." [H–1–71.] At this last date, therefore, she must have been 14 years, or older. She was probably born in 1779 or 1780.

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(46) Eleanor Griffin (David, 12, William, Samuel), born ——; died September, 1846; married Benjamin Blackiston (his second wife), born ——.

CHILDREN.

(146) I. Sarah Ann Blackiston, born 1810; died unmarried.

(147) II. Hannah Blackiston, born 1810 (twin with Sarah Ann); died unmarried.

(148) III. Rebecca Blackiston, born ——; died ——; married John W. Thomas.

(149) IV. Ezekiel Blackiston, born ——; died ——.

(150) V. Henry Blackiston, born ——; died ——.

(151) VI. Eleanor Blackiston, born ——.

Elizabeth S. Rees, in a letter dated 28 May, 1848, says: "That country [Delaware] has been visited by unusually malignant fevers for the past few years. Most of the friends whom I loved in early life have fallen victims to it. My aunt [Eleanor] Blackiston, uncle John Spruance and Thomas [A.] Rees are of the number."

Eleanor, the youngest child of David Griffin, had a guardian appointed for her by the court, 17 January, 1792. On 19 August, 1802, she was still a minor, but was old enough to choose a guardian for herself, for on that date she came into court and chose Benjamin Hollett. [I–1–179.] Eleanor Blackiston's estate was administered by Ezekiel Blackiston, 25 September, 1846. Benjamin Blackiston's will is dated 16 December, 1824, and probated 14 January, 1825.

It is plain from what has been written above that this Eleanor Griffin could not have been the granddaughter mentioned by William Griffin in his will, dated 2 August, 1769, as she would not, in that case, have been a minor in 1792. As none of the other sons of William Griffin is known to have had a daughter named Eleanor, except this child of David Griffin, it seems probable that the Eleanor of the will died young, and it is not known whose child she was.

(49) NATHANIEL GRIFFIN (George, 13, William, Samuel), born 5 April, 1800; died ——; married SARAH HOWARD, born 6 April, 1809; died ——.

CHILDREN.

(152) I. Miriam, born ——; died young.
(153) II. Martha, born ——; died young.
(154) III. Jackson, born ——; died young.
(155) IV. Hiram, born ——; died young.
(156) V. Elizabeth A., born ——; died young.
(157) VI. Nathaniel Howard, born 4 March, 1837; died ——; married Mary E. Holland (widow Clark).
(158) VII. Sarah R., born ——; died ——; unmarried. She was a trained nurse, and the last tidings of her was about 1870, when she was living in Philadelphia.
(159) VIII. George Alphra, born ——; died young.
(160) IX. Ann E., born ——; died young.

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(50) MARY LEACH (Mary, 15, William, Samuel), born 12 September, 1760; died 17 January, 1834; married, (1), 12 March, 1778, WILLIAM BERRY, son of Joseph Berry and Unity Lowber;[17] (2), —— CLARK.

[17] Unity Lowber married, secondly, John Gilder, and these were the great-grandparents of Richard Watson Gilder. (John Cooper Gooden.)

CHILDREN.

By first husband.

(161) I. Charles Berry, born 1 December, 1779; died young.

(162) II. Sarah Berry, born 19 October, 1781; married Abel Harris.

(163) III. Ann (Nancy) Berry, born 5 December, 1782; married, (1), Robert Broadaway, (2), Thomas Lockwood, (3), David Marvel.

(164) IV. Martha Berry, born 9 December, 1785; died 19 September, 1786.

(165) V. David Berry, born November, 1789; died 29 November, 1814.

By second husband.

(166) VI. Ruthanna Clark, born ——; died ——; married Nathan Ward.

There may have been other children born to Mary Leach and her second husband of whom the compiler has no knowledge.

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(64) Elizabeth Griffin (Owen, 21, Samuel, Samuel), born 22 August, 1762; died December, 1807; married, 10 May, 1780, John Warren, born 22 November, 1757, died in 1803, son of Benjamin Warren.

CHILDREN.

(167) I. Zipporah Warren, born 25 February, 1781; died 11 March, 1781.

(168) II. Benjamin Warren, born 21 February, 1782; died ——; married Susanna Luff.

(169) III. Samuel Warren, born 27 February, 1784; died ——; married, (1), —— Heuston, (2), Ruth Lowber, (3), Mary Willoughby.

(170) IV. Thomas Warren, born 30 March, 1786; died 9 October, 1787.

(171) V. John Warren, born 12 October, 1788; died ——; unmarried.

(172) VI. Isaac Warren, born 23 January, 1791; died 30 December, 1796.

(173) VII. William Warren, born 29 May, 1783; died ——; unmarried. A soldier in the War of 1812. He carried dispatches from Lewes to the Governor at Dover, when the British appeared before Lewes and threatened to bombard that place unless permission was granted them to land and get provisions and water.

(174) VIII. Charles Warren, born 16 August, 1795; died ——; married, (1), —— Harper, (2), Mary Simington.

(175) IX. Elizabeth Warren, born 2 January, 1799; died in 1832; married, (1), Joseph Harper, (2), James Lindale.

(176) X. George Warren, born 17 February, 1801; died 24 June, 1818.

(177) XI. Mary Warren, born 23 May, 1803; died 6 January, 1804.

Elizabeth Warren is known to her descendants as Elizabeth Griffith. There is no evidence to show that she ever assumed the name of Griffin. That name is used here for the sake of uniformity. As the heir of Owen Griffith, 200 acres of her grandfather's estate, located in North Murderkill hundred, were assigned to her as her share. Of this land, 120 acres are described as cleared, and had erected thereon a frame dwelling, 16 x 20 feet, with other small buildings, and according to the report of the freeholders who were appointed to value the rents and profits of the same, they were considered to be worth thirty pounds per annum. At her grandmother's death in 1781, she received 136 acres of her land.

Elizabeth Warren's will is dated 4 December, 1807, and was proved 23 December, 1807. She bequeathed to her two youngest children, Elizabeth and George Warren, her property in North Murderkill hundred; and to Elizabeth five pairs of sheets, two pairs of pillow-cases, six bed quilts, two sets of

curtains, six silver tablespoons and six large silver teaspoons, and to George six silver tablespoons, one pair of gold sleeve buttons, the negro boy Jack and her negro girl Violet; to Benjamin eight dollars to purchase a Bible; to Samuel her large church Bible; to John her new family Bible; and to William and Charles eight dollars each.

John Warren and his brothers were soldiers in the Revolutionary War, in Colonel Haslet's regiment. It is said that John Warren was in the battles of Trenton and Princeton, and helped to carry the body of his colonel, when mortally wounded, from the field of Princeton. On the assessment rolls of North Murderkill hundred, for 1785, are the names of John, Thomas and Benjamin Warren. The land on which the Camden Friends' Meeting House is built was conveyed, 12 May, 1760, to a body of trustees, among whom was a Benjamin Warren, who is supposed to have been the grandfather of John Warren.

John Warren died intestate, and letters of administration on his estate were granted 13 December, 1803. The division of his real estate shows that he died possessed of nearly 1,500 acres of land.

Most of the information concerning the Warren family was furnished by Mrs. Sarah A. Warren, of near Fenton, Delaware—since dead.

(66) THOMAS PATTERSON (Rachel, 22, Samuel, Samuel), born ——; died ——; married MARY ——.

CHILDREN.

(178) I. Samuel Patterson, born ——; died ——; married, (1), —— ——, (2), Ann Stout.

(179) II. Isaac Patterson, born ——.

A Thomas Patterson, undoubtedly the son of John and Rachel, was dead 19 December, 1809, when Mary Griffin, as executrix of the estate of Samuel Griffin, took oath to an account against the estate of Thomas Patterson, of which Mary Patterson was administratrix. The Mary Patterson who married Truax was a daughter of Samuel Patterson. The name of her grandfather is not known. She had an uncle, Isaac Patterson. That these were the children of Thomas and Mary Patterson there is no present evidence; but that Mary, the daughter of Samuel, was related to the Griffins we know. Until it is known what children the other sons of John and Rachel Patterson had, the descent as given above will be assumed.

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(69) ELIZABETH PATTERSON (Rachel, 22, Samuel, Samuel), born ——; died ——; married JOSIAH WALLACE, died in 1830.

CHILDREN.

(180) I. Samuel Wallace, born ——; died ——. This child was mentioned in John Patterson's will, dated 1 March, 1792.

(181) II. Rachel Wallace, born 8 September, 1791; died 20 December, 1869; married John Craig.

(182) III. James Wallace?

(183) IV. Joseph Wallace?

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(75) RACHEL GRIFFIN (Samuel, 25, Samuel, Samuel), born 18 December, 1769; died 25 December, 1790; married JACOB ANDERSON, born 1754, died 30 August, 1792.

CHILDREN.

(184) I. Joseph Anderson, born 12 November, 1790; died 27 July, 1793.

Jacob and Rachel Anderson, and Joseph Anderson, their son, are buried in the Bryn Zion graveyard, and the stones marking their graves bear the oldest inscriptions of any there.

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(76) JOHN GRIFFIN (Samuel, 25, Samuel, Samuel), born 11 April, 1772; died 8 February, 1798; married ELIZABETH ROTHERAM, daughter of Jacob and

Mary Rotheram, of White Clay Creek hundred, New Castle county, Del.

CHILDREN.

(185) I. Jacob Rotheram, born 1 August, 1793; died 4 September, 1866; married, (1), Susan Rees, (2), Mary Covington, (3), Susan W. Cole.

(186) II. Samuel, born 26 June, 1795; died 29 June, 1883; married, (1), Lydia Rees, (2), Hester Rees, (3), Elizabeth Wilds.

John Griffin inherited from his father's estate the Griffin Mill property, afterwards known as Casperson Mill. Shortly after his death his widow married Howell Buckingham, as is set forth in the following record: "Be it remembered that on the fifth day of January, 1801, Letters of administration on the Estate of John Griffin, dec'd, were in due form of law granted to Howel Buckingham (who intermarried with the intestate's widow)." To this marriage there was born one child, Mary Ann Buckingham, who married Benjamin Husbands. The children of John Griffin, after his death, were taken care of by their grandmother, Mary Rees Griffin.

The Rotherams were farmers and millers of White Clay Creek hundred, New Castle county.

"In 1739, Joseph Rotheram purchased at a sheriff's sale a tract of land on which was situated a saw-mill and a grist-mill. In 1775, this tract by inheritance and purchase passed to his son Joseph, who operated the mills until his death. It was then sold by his executors in 1795." (Scharf's "History of Delaware," vol. ii, p. 939.) The property was known as Rotheram's Mill. Letters of administration on the estate of Joseph Rotheram, the elder, were granted 6 November, 1773, to Joseph and Jacob Rotheram, sons. In a codicil to the will of Joseph Rotheram, the younger, dated 24 April, 1795, and proved 16 May, 1795, mention is made of niece Catherine Rotheram, daughter of brother Jacob Rotheram. Letters of administration on the estate of Jacob Rotheram were granted, 24 May, 1796, to George Reynolds and George Adams, upon the renunciation of Mary Shannon, late Mary Rotheram, the widow. It would therefore appear that both mother and daughter married again shortly after the death of the first husband.

Mary Rotheram married, secondly, William Shannon, of the village of Christiana Bridge, New Castle county, Del. His will, dated 22 February, 1810, probated 10 September, 1815, mentions wife Mary, sons George P. Shannon and Abraham P. Shannon, stepdaughters Catherine Rotheram and Mary Harper, and friends George Pierce, Lewis Reece and James Harper. [R–99.]

Mary Shannon lived at the time of her death in Duck Creek hundred, Kent county. Her will is dated 19 July, 1824, and probated 21 December, 1824. In it are mentioned granddaughter Mary Ann Husbands, son Abraham P. Shannon (and his son William Thomas Shannon), son George P. Shannon (and his daughter Adeline Shannon), and daughter Catherine Harper. Her daughter Elizabeth Buckingham, the widow of John Griffin, is not mentioned in any of the wills. It is probable that the Harpers moved to Kentucky. When I visited that state in 1868, I was informed by letter from home that I had relatives by that name in the city of Lexington. I visited them at that time. The head of the family was superintendent of the express company. What was the relationship I do not know.

Abraham Pierce Shannon married, 21 September, 1820, Elizabeth Berry Rothwell, daughter of Thomas and Ann (Morris) Rothwell. (See "The Morris Family of Philadelphia.")

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(77) Ann Griffin (Samuel, 25, Samuel, Samuel), born 19, June, 1774; died 15 May, 1821; married Enoch Jones.

It is not known that any children were born of this marriage. Mary Griffin bequeathed unto her

daughter Ann Jones, wife of Enoch Jones, fifty dollars, to be paid one year after her death, out of her personal estate. The will was drawn 29 April, 1820, and Mary Griffin did not die until 1823. Ann Jones's death, therefore, preceded her mother's, but no change was made in the will. It is thought that Enoch Jones went to Kentucky after the death of his wife.

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(79) THOMAS GRIFFIN (Samuel, 25, Samuel, Samuel), born 3 August, 1779; died 31 July, 1807; married, (1), REBECCA WILDS, born in 1776, died 5 November, 1805, daughter of Nathaniel Wilds and —— ——; married, (2), MARTHA DURBOROUGH.

CHILDREN.

By first wife.

(187) I. Eliza Wilds, born in 1799; died 12 May, 1881; married William Howard.

Thomas Griffin and Rebecca Wilds are buried in the Bryn Zion church-yard. One marble stone bears the inscription of both. It reads as follows: "Thomas Griffin, died March 31st, 1807, age 29 years." "Rebecca Wilds, wife of Thomas Griffin, who departed this life Nov. 5th, 1805, in the 29th year of her age." The marriage bond of Thomas

Griffin and Martha Durborough bears date of 27 September, 1806, with the names of John Wilds and James Harper as sureties. Letters of administration upon the estate of Rebecca Griffin were granted first to Thomas Griffin, 16 February, 1807, then to James Sorden, 6 August, 1807, the letters granted to Thomas Griffin being unadministered. [O. 155.] Letters of administration upon the estate of Thomas Griffin were granted to James Sorden, 6 August, 1807; Martha Griffin renounced "her rights to the estate of her late husband, Thomas Griffin, also her rights on the estate of Rebecca Griffin." [O. 155.]

Thomas Griffin inherited the Griffin homestead by his father's will. It was sold by sheriff's sale to pay his debts, and his mother was the purchaser.

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(80) Esther Griffin (Samuel, 25, Samuel, Samuel), born 2 February, 1781; died 2 January, 1815; married John Saunders.

Children of John and Esther Saunders are mentioned in the will of Mary Griffin. Letters of administration upon the estate of John Saunders, deceased, were granted to William Howard, who gave bond with Samuel Griffin, 24 March, 1823.

(84) Ann Griffin (Isaac, 26, Samuel, Samuel), born 22 May, 1776; died 22 February, 1834; married, 1 January, 1797, James Witter Nicholson, born 20 April, 1773, at Nicholson Manor, near Nicholson Gap, Maryland, died 6 October, 1851, son of Commodore James Nicholson, of Revolutionary fame, and Frances Witter, both of Maryland.

CHILDREN.

(188) I. James Nicholson, born 16 November, 1799; died 2 December, 1832; unmarried.

(189) II. Thomas Witter Nicholson, born 10 April, 1803; died April, 1869; married Mary Biffle.

(190) III. Mary Ann Nicholson, born 15 April, 1807; died 9 July, 1840; married Isaac Beeson.

(191) IV. Frances Witter Nicholson, born 3 November, 1808; died 17 June, 1843; married Franklin Bond.

(192) V. Albert Gallatin Nicholson, born 3 June, 1814; died 22 January, 1857; unmarried. He was a soldier in the Mexican War.

(193) VI. William Few Nicholson, born 30 May, 1816; died 31 December, 1847; married Elizabeth Coalbank.

(194) VII. Maria Nicholson, born 3 July, 1820; died 2 August, 1820.

James W. Nicholson went to Fayette county, Pennsylvania, with his brother-in-law, Albert Gallatin, and had financial charge of the glass factory which Gallatin established on George's creek, one mile east of New Geneva. This was the first manufactory of the kind west of the Alleghany mountains. It was established in 1794. He afterwards became a merchant in New Geneva. In 1836, he moved to Elk Hills, his country residence, where he died. Nicholson township, in Fayette county, was named in his honor.

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(86) HARRIET GRIFFIN (Isaac, 26, Samuel, Samuel), born 5 March, 1782; died 18 March, 1835; married in 1799 (?1800), EDWARD HALL.

CHILDREN.

(195) I. Alfred Hall, born 17 September, 1801; died 12 October, 1862; unmarried.

(196) II. Louisa Hall, born 19 October, 1803; died October, 1896; married Thomas Neal.

(197) III. Isaac Griffin Hall, born 15 November, 1805; died 13 June, 1848; married Elizabeth House.

(198) IV. James Griffin Hall, born 12 April, 1808; died 2 June, 1873; married Celestia Miller.

(199) V. John Hall, born 4 May, 1809; died 25 September, 1876; married Fannie Patterson.

(200) VI. Joseph Tilton Hall, born 27 July, 1812; died 9 October, 1893; married Mary Louisa Stewart.

(201) VII. Mary Morris Hall, born 8 May, 1815; died 29 September, 1854; married Joel Bronson.

(202) VIII. Lewis Hall, born 16 July, 1817; unmarried.

(203) IX. Ann Nicholson Hall, born 31 October, 1819; died 7 January, 1853; married G. Barstow Williams.

(204) X. Elizabeth Hall, born 6 February, 1822; died ——; married Zebina Williams.

(205) XI. Samuel Hall, born 24 June, 1824; died ——; married Nancy Hannon.

(206) XII. Harriet Hall, born 14 November, 1827; died 25 September, 1877; married Joshua S. Murray.

This large family, desiring more room to expand than the mountainous region of Fayette county afforded, about 1836, pre-empted a large tract of land in Louisa county, Iowa, whither most of them moved. There the families increased and prospered. It is said that eighteen stalwart grandsons

of this couple served in the Union army during the Civil War. Many of their descendants are settled in, or near, Columbus City, Louisa county, Iowa.

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(87) SAMUEL GRIFFIN (Isaac, 26, Samuel, Samuel), born 16 August, 1785; died 9 March, 1838; married, 15 October, 1809, ESTHER SMYTH, of Virginia.

CHILDREN.

(207) I. Elizabeth, born 19 October, 1810; died 6 October, 1895; unmarried.

(208) II. Livinia, born 4 December, 1811; died 20 December, 1879; unmarried.

(209) III. James Morris, born 24 August, 1813; died ——; married, (1), Margaret Cox, (2), Hannah Mason.

(210) IV. William Augustus, born 26 August, 1815; died 10 September, 1843; unmarried.

(211) V. Isaac Hall, born 3 August, 1817; died ——; married, 25 December, 1879, Susan K. Streeter.

(212) VI. Sarah Ann, born 23 October, 1819; died unmarried.

(213) VII. Mary, born 16 October, 1821; died 23 March, 1822.

(214) VIII. Harriet, born 23 February, 1823; died ——; married, 4 April, 1843, Richard Hanke.

(215) IX. Thomas Masterson, born 21 March, 1825; died ——; married Amanda Farris.

(216) X. Samuel, born ——.

Samuel Griffin, for some years after his marriage, resided in Pennsylvania. He emigrated from that state to Ohio, where he lived eight years. From Ohio he went to Kentucky, where he died. After his death his family returned to Ohio, whence they scattered, James going to Lawrenceburg, Indiana, and Isaac to Iowa.

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(88) Mary Morris Griffin (Isaac, 26, Samuel, Samuel), born 1 January, 1787; died 9 July, 1842; married, 24 June, 1804, Andrew Oliphant, born in 1774, son of Andrew Oliphant.

CHILDREN.

(217) I. Mary Ann Oliphant, born 1 May, 1807; died 12 July, 1842; married Edgar C. Wilson.

(218) II. James Morris Oliphant, born 11 June, 1810; died 9 February, 1866; married, (1), Caroline Toucey, (2) Margaret Hertzog, (3), Mary Berry Corse.

(219) III. Nathaniel Breading Oliphant, born 27 June, 1821; died 26 April, 1822.

(220) IV. Elizabeth Haymond Oliphant, born 19 April, 1826; married James Johnson Linn.

(221) V. Omer Toucey Oliphant, born 13 February, 1833; died 25 April, 1835.

Andrew Oliphant, Sr., lived in Chester county previous to the Revolutionary War. He was a trader, and packed goods over the mountains on horses to trade with the Indians. General Braddock is said to have pressed him and his horses into service in the disastrous expedition against Fort DuQuesne in 1755. When Braddock fell mortally wounded, he was carried on a litter between two of these horses under the care of Andrew Oliphant. Tradition says he assisted in the construction and defense of Fort Necessity. After the war he moved to Fayette county, and settled on land near Merrittstown. He was buried in the Presbyterian grave-yard at Dunlap's Creek.

John and Andrew Oliphant, sons of Andrew Oliphant, Sr., were born in Chester county. They commenced the iron business together at Old Fairfield furnace, on George's creek, in George's township, Fayette county. This was one of the first places where pig-iron was made west of the Allegheny mountains—Jacob's Creek, in Westmoreland county, being the only place which contests the honor of priority with it. The Oliphant brothers

soon added Fairchance furnace to their works; subsequently, they built Sylvan Forges, all on the same creek. These were lower down, near New Geneva. They made pig-iron at Fairchance, and converted it into bar-iron at Sylvan Forges. They built boats on the Monongahela river at New Geneva, and floated their iron down the river to Pittsburgh and other places on the Ohio. They continued in business together until 1816, when they dissolved partnership and divided the property. Fairchance and Sylvan Forges being of equal value, John gave his brother the choice. He chose Sylvan Forges. (Ellis's "History of Fayette County.")

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(89) EBENEZER GRIFFIN (Isaac, 26, Samuel, Samuel), born 12 August, 1788; died soon after 1836; married LEAH CLAWSON.

CHILDREN.

(222) I. Thomas, born 13 June, 1810; died ——; married Elizabeth Casement.

(223) II. Mary F., born 21 November, 1811; died 15 November, 1862; married, (1), David Husted, (2), William Zerley.

(224) III. Garrett Clawson, born 23 May, 1815; died 13 June, 1861; married Lydia Husted.

(225) IV. Maria N., born ——, 1818; died 17 November, 1852; married Edward M. Roe.

(226) V. Kesiah, born 15 March, 1820; died ——; married Richard Dotson.

(227) VI. Alpheus, born 6 January, 1827; died ——; married Serena Padgit.

About 1836, this family moved from Pennsylvania to what is now West Virginia. Many of their descendants are still living in the latter state.

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(90) James Morris Griffin (Isaac, 26, Samuel, Samuel), born 27 December, 1789; died 18 December, 1812; unmarried.

He was a soldier in the War of 1812, in Captain James A. McClelland's Company, and was killed in a battle with the Indians at Mississinawa, Ohio.

## AN OBITUARY OF JAMES MORRIS GRIFFIN.

(From the "Spectator," a paper published in Fayette county at that time.)

"'How beautiful is death when caused by Virtue.'—Addison.

"Died. On the field of battle at Massissinawa, on the 18th of Dec., last, JAMES MORRIS GRIFFIN, third son of Isaac Griffin, Esq., of this county, after having passed his 23rd year. When war was

declared by the government of his country against Britain he entered as a private in Capt. McClelland's troop of horse, on condition that they would volunteer their service to the President of the United States, and was one of the few that remained at their post when their companions in arms, for cause not satisfactorily developed, returned home. A detachment under Col. Campbell being ordered to march on a secret expedition, he gallantly volunteered on that service, at the most inclement season of the year, determined to brave the wintry blasts in the wilds of the dreary wilderness for the protection of our defenceless frontiers, and was killed fighting against the savage allies of the more savage and barbarous British Government. It is doubtless a consolation to his connections that he entered the service from no sordid motive, prompted alone by the purest patriotism. His unassuming modesty would not permit of any attempt to obtain a commission, and it is most certain that five dollars a month could be no inducement.

"In these days of degeneracy, when extravagance and speculation have too clearly extended their baleful influence to a great part of the community, patriotism like this is considered by some as visionary and even scoffed at. But it is hoped that we have patriots in numbers sufficient to carry us through, honourably and successfully, the present struggle for our existence as an independent nation.

May the example of this virtuous youth stimulate others to stand forth in defense of their injured country."

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(91) ELIZABETH GRIFFIN (Isaac, 26, Samuel, Samuel), born 26 November, 1791; died 14 March, 1831 (in the "Morris Family of Philadelphia," the date of her death is given as 14 November, 1835); married, 8 January, 1824, DANIEL HAYMOND (his second wife), born 28 April, 1787, in Harrison county, Virginia, died 10 December, 1874, son of William and Cassandra Haymond.

CHILDREN.

(228) I. Cassandra Haymond, born 22 December, 1824; died 1 June, 1871; unmarried.

(229) II. Mary Ann Haymond, born 1 October, 1826; died 28 July, 1871; married Saul Thomas.

(230) III. Frances Haymond, born 18 February, 1829; died unmarried.

Daniel Haymond was a man of prominence and wealth. He held county offices, and was a member of the Virginia legislature at Richmond. He was married four times, and he and his wives are buried at Mole Hill, Ritchie county, West Virginia. These facts and dates were obtained from "The Genealogy of the Sharpless Family."

(92) ISAAC GRIFFIN (Isaac, 26, Samuel, Samuel), born 27 December, 1793; died 20 February, 1826; married ANN GRIFFIN (139), born 1801, died 1870, daughter of Ezekiel Griffin and Sarah Stokely.

CHILDREN.

(231) I. Joseph Ezekiel, born in 1821; died in 1889; married, (1), Ellen E. Allison, (2), Martha Hughes, a widow.

Ann Griffin accompanied her son to Texas in 1851, and died there. She was second cousin, once removed, of her husband.

NOTE.—Most of the information relating to the descendants of Isaac Griffin and Mary Morris was obtained from Mrs. Elizabeth H. Linn, of Minneapolis, Minnesota.

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(94) JOHN GRIFFIN (Samuel, 27, Matthew, Samuel), born 12 August, 1778; died 6 October, 1826; married, 9 June, 1810, SARAH KNOTTS, born 1 September, 1784, daughter of William and Nancy Knotts.

CHILDREN.

(232) I. Lydia Ann, born 7 May, 1811; died 3 June, 1837; married, 12 February, 1835, Lott Watson.

(233) II. William, born 9 June, 1812; died 25 May, 1862; married Emaline Price.

(234) III. James Laurence, born 16 November, 1813; died ——; married Ellen L. Swearingen.

(235) IV. Nancy, born 30 June, 1816; died 20 November, 1834.

(236) V. Mary, born 26 May, 1818; died 31 March, 1841.

(237) VI. Elizabeth, born 13 July, 1820; died 17 September, 1891; married, 6 September, 1846, Jacob B. Stone.

(238) VII. Samuel H., born 27 December, 1822; died ——; married 9 September, 1856, Elvira Collier.

(239) VIII. Rebecca, born 2 August, 1825; died ——, 1895; married Adam Spaw.

About 1823, John Griffin moved from Delaware to Fayette county, Pa. He kept the Seventh Tavern Stand on the National Road, in Henry Clay township, near Markleysburg. He married Sarah Knotts. He had a son William, who kept the tavern after the death of his father. William was succeeded at the stand by his sister Elizabeth, who married Jacob Stone. The above is taken from Salter's "History of Fayette County." The will of John Griffin is recorded at Uniontown. It is dated 23 September, 1826, and probated 19 October, 1826. (Will Book, vol. i, p. 897.) He mentions wife Sarah and daughter Lydia. Jeremiah Boyd and William Griffin, executors.

In addition to entertaining travellers on the National Road, he was a farmer, his farm being located about fifteen miles east of Uniontown, the county seat. If the date of his emigration, as given by Salter, be correct, all his children, except the youngest, were born in Delaware.

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(95) WILLIAM GRIFFIN (Samuel, 27, Matthew, Samuel), born ——; died ——; married SARAH McKEE.

CHILDREN.

(240) I. William Rees, born in 1833(?); died 14 August, 1879; married Jemima Agnes Showalter.

There is no evidence to show that William Rees Griffin was the son of the above; but, it seems probable, that such was the case, as he came from that part of Fayette county where the Griffins were settled, and his descendants claim relationship with them. This is the only line of descent, it seems to me, that is possible for him. William Griffin died in Dunkard township, Green county, Pa. He was probably the William Griffin mentioned in John Griffin's will, as one of the executors of his estate.

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(96) JAMES GRIFFIN (Samuel, 27, Matthew, Sam-

uel), born ——; died ——, in Delaware; married —— ——.

CHILDREN.

(241) I. Elizabeth, born ——; died ——; married —— Hall. She was early left an orphan and was brought up in the family of her uncle William Griffin. She had one son named John Hall, of Green county, Pa. This information comes through the descendants of John Griffin (94).

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(99) JOHN SPRUANCE GRIFFIN (David, 28, Matthew, Samuel), born 11 October, 1780; died 28 February, 1832; married, 20 October, 1816, ELIZABETH BROADAWAY (widow Marsh), born 29 September, 1789, died 30 November, 1871, daughter of Elder Samuel B. Broadaway (a Baptist minister) and Mary Willoughby.

CHILDREN.

(242) I. Lydia Ann, born 2 September, 1817; died 13 October, 1819.

(243) II. David Broadaway, born 13 February, 1819; died in 1859, in Kentucky; married, (1), Martha Ann Rodgers (date of marriage bond, 18 August,

1840), (2), Louisa Smith, of Kentucky. David B. Griffin was a tailor, and lived in Smyrna before migrating west. It is thought he left no children.

(244) III. Ann Jemima, born 21 May, 1821; died 17 January, 1895; married Tilghman Foxwell.

(245) IV. Thomas Rees, born 24 August, 1823; died 11 November, 1823.

(246) V. Hester Ann, born 19 August, 1824; died 27 August, 1824.

(247) VI. Samuel Thomas, born 20 December, 1825; died 1 February, 1826.

(248) VII. John Rees, born 19 November, 1827; died 17 June, 1828.

(249) VIII. Samuel Spruance, born 29 April, 1829; married Sarah Jane Rash.

(250) IX. Lydia Elizabeth, born 15 February, 1832; died 9 December, 1868; married Daniel Faries.

Elizabeth Broadaway lived in what was known as Brown's Neck, Kent county. She married, (1), 1 February, 1810, William Marsh (and had Mary, born 1 October, 1810, married Benjamin Clouds; Rebecca, born 13 September, 1811, married Garrett Forkum; Eliza, born 23 August, 1812); married, (3), 22 December, 1836, Thomas Wilds. She had no children by her last marriage.

"Samuel Broadaway was son of James, who died in 1758; James was son of Samuel, who died in 1742; Samuel was son of Samuel, who died in 1698. Samuel Broadaway bought land 10 November, 1692, and 15 August, 1682. Nicholas Broadaway and Catherine, his wife, sold land 15 August, 1665, and took bill of sale of cattle, sheep, etc., 9 July, 1662." (John C. Gooden.)

John S. Griffin was born in that part of Duck Creek hundred known as "The Alley." When eighteen years old, it is said, he enlisted as a sailor in the United States navy, and followed the sea for more than twelve years. After leaving the sea, he returned to Delaware and engaged in farming for the rest of his life.

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(100) Lydia Griffin (David, 28, Matthew, Samuel), born 27 January, 1783; died 22 October, 1811; married Eli Covington.

CHILDREN.

(251) I. Elizabeth Covington, born ——.

(252) II. Nathaniel Covington, born ——; died ——; married Mary Farrow.

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(109) Mary Griffin (William, 30, Matthew, Samuel), born ——; died ——; married, in 1806, William Hutchison.

CHILDREN.

(253) I. Nathaniel Hutchison, born in 1807; died ——; married —— ——. Children: 1. Samuel Hutchison. 2. William Hutchison, married Virginia Wilds, daughter of John Wilds and Mary Jane Spruance.

Samuel Hutchison, of Kenton, Delaware, writes (24 May, 1900), that he was a grandson of Mary Griffin and William Hutchison, and that his father was the oldest child of that marriage.

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(112) JACOB GRIFFIN (Ebenezer, 33, Matthew, Samuel), born in 1782; died in 1847; married REBECCA HAYDEN.

CHILDREN.

(254) I. James, born ——; married Mary Carey.

(255) II. Sarah, born ——; married Redner Zane.

(256) III. Jacob, born ——; married Rachel Bennett.

(257) IV. Ebenezer, born ——; married Anna Scout.

(258) V. Margaret, born ——; married John Mowers. The mother of Laura E. Sapp, wife of John H. Sapp, of Dover.

(259) IV. Caroline, born ——; married William Wesley Sherwood, died 10 May, 1877, in Wilmington, a painter. A son, Henry Elmer Sherwood, born in Smyrna, Del., 4 March, 1863.

(260) VII. Rachel, born ——; married Joshua Bennett.

Jacob Griffin was a farmer, and lived near Collins's Beach, on the Delaware Bay.

## FIFTH GENERATION.

(113) David Franklin Griffin (Charles, 34, Charles, William, Samuel), born 21 October, 1808; died ——; married Ruth Morgan, died 18 April, 1870.

CHILDREN.

(261) I. Ann M., born ——; married William P. Dillman.

(262) II. Mary, born ——; married E. S. Hunt.

(263) III. George W., born ——.

(264) IV. Charles, born ——.

(265) V. David Franklin, born 13 January, 1854; married Melissa Dillman.

(266) VI. Caroline, born ——; married —— Peterson.

In 1832, David F. Griffin moved from Pennsylvania to near Wenona, Marshall county, Illinois. He was a farmer.

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(116) William Harrison Griffin (Charles, 34, Charles, William, Samuel), born 1 May, 1814; died 24 March, 1862; married Lucinda McMasters, born 11 January, 1817, in Smithfield, Fayette county, Pennsylvania, died 25 January, 1891, in Lancaster, Wisconsin.

CHILDREN.

(267) I. Anna Maria, born 16 March, 1836, in Uniontown, Fayette county, Pa.; married Joseph Nathan. Address: Lancaster, Wis.

(268) II. George W., born 27 March, 1840; married Rebecca Archer. Address: Carbon, Wyoming.

(269) III. Ann (Nancy), born 23 August, 1842; married Roland W. Royce. No issue.

(270) IV. Emma Caroline, born — May, 1844; died in 1871; married Bruce Wilson, in Amador county, Calif. No issue.

(271) V. William Henry, born — July, 1846; unmarried.

(272) VI. Jacob Stout, born ——; married.

(273) VII. Charles Marshall, born 5 December, 1859, in Wisconsin; died in 1891; married Mary ——.

William H. Griffin was a farmer. In 1853, he moved with his family from Fayette county, Pa., to Grant county, Wis. In 1860, he went to California in search of health. After living there a short time he returned to his old home in Pennsylvania, where he died. After his death, his widow again went to Wisconsin, where he left property, and there she lived with her children until her death.

(117) Ann Griffin (Charles, 34, Charles, William, Samuel), born 1 August, 1816; married, 8 December, 1845, Robison Pumphrey, born 23 August, 1810, in Brook county, Va., died 11 May, 1884, near Heyworth, McLean county, Ill., son of Rezin Pumphrey and Ann Boone (he born 25 April, 1777; she, 4 December, 1780; both died in Maryland).

CHILDREN.

(274) I. Charles G. Pumphrey, born 5 August, 1846, in Tuscarawas county, Ohio; married, 27 February, 1879, Clara Farnsworth. Residence: McLean, Illinois.

(275) II. Lelia A. Pumphrey, born 2 February, 1849, in Tuscarawas county, Ohio; married, 3 November, 1881, John B. Sterling. Residence: Bloomington, Illinois.

(276) III. Eliza H. Pumphrey, born 10 September, 1851, in Harrison county, Ohio; unmarried.

(277) IV. William H. Pumphrey, born 1 March, 1854, in Harrison county, Ohio; married, 1 May, 1879, Lotta Pinckard. Residence: Philadelphia, Pa.

(278) V. Ethelbert C. Pumphrey, born 10 October, 1856, in Carroll county, Ohio. Residence: The Dalles, Oregon.

(279) VI. George W. Pumphrey, born 20 February, 1859, in Carroll county, Ohio; married, 23 February, 1882, Lutie Boyd. Residence: Heyworth, Ill.

(280) VII. James L. Pumphrey, born 6 December, 1861, in Carroll county, Ohio; married, 20 January, 1885, Martha (Mattie) Thompson. Residence: Randolph, Ill.

Ann Griffin and Robison Pumphrey were married by Presbyterian ceremony, near Smithfield, Fayette county, Pa. After living there a short time, they moved to Carroll county, Ohio. In September, 1863, they moved to Heyworth, Ill. Robison Pumphrey was a farmer.

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(120) Hamilton Rogers Griffin (Charles, 34, Charles, William, Samuel), born 13 May, 1823; died 7 June, 1892; married Ann (Nancy) ——, died 15 July, 1892.

CHILDREN.

(281) I. James L., born ——. Residence: Garrett, Indiana.

(282) II. Rebecca, born ——; married —— Shipley. Residence: La Rose, Ill.

(283) III. Ann Maria, born ——; married —— Ball. Residence: Toluca, Ill.

(284) IV. John D., born ——; dentist, of Chicago, Ill.

Hamilton R. Griffin was a farmer. In 1866, he moved to near Wenona, Marshall county, Illinois. A few years before his death he moved into Wenona, where he died. There was one son and one daughter who died and whose names are not given in the list above.

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(127) William Pierce Griffin (William, 35, Charles, William, Samuel), born 2 September, 1809; died 1 March, 1901; married, 28 August, 1836, Mary Ann Gans, born 29 February, 1816, died 6 March, 1898, daughter of William and Magdalane Gans, of Springhill township, Fayette county.

CHILDREN.

(285) I. William Lebbeus, born 7 February, 1838; married, (1), Salome Rutter, (2), Catherine Wilton.

(286) II. Charles Altha, born 24 March, 1839; married Eliza Jane Franks.

(287) III. Mary Lydia, born 6 October, 1840; died 27 October, 1874; married Gordon W. Hanna.

(288) IV. Newton Richard, born 5 February, 1842; married Margaret Hess.

(289) V. Harriet Ellen, born 11 February, 1843; married, (1), Dr. S. D. Sturgis, (2), Benjamin Harris.

(290) VI. Emily Rhoda, born 21 February, 1845; married Clark R. Hess.

(291) VII. Martha Magdalen, born 18 July, 1847; died 24 September, 1891; married Thomas J. Smith.

(292) VIII. Elizabeth Jane, born 18 July, 1849; married Lorenzo Dow Ramsey.

(293) IX. George Franklin, born 21 April, 1852; married Josephine Lobingier.

(294) X. Alvin Washington, born 28 May, 1854; died 20 March, 1859.

(295) XI. Anna Belle, born 28 May, 1854 (twin with Alvin Washington); married John H. Emory.

(296) XII. Addie Maria, born 5 June, 1857; died 21 April, 1886; married James Palmer.

(297) XIII. Flora May, born 27 July, 1859; married Alvin West.

William P. Griffin was a farmer, and an elder in the Christian Church. In his younger days he was a lieutenant in the state militia. He lived on the farm called "Maple Grove," that was the property

of his grandfather Pierce. It is situated on George's creek, near Old Frame. He is said to have been a man of the strictest integrity and of high standing in his community. He was born in Springhill (now Nicholson) township, Fayette county. The following is an account of his funeral: "He was buried from the Oak Grove Christian Church, services being conducted by deceased's grandson, Rev. W. H. Hanna, of Washington, Pa., the funeral director being another grandson, Ernest G. Sturgis, of Morgantown, W. Va. The pall-bearers were also grandsons, William and Merl Griffin, Edward and Emmett Hanna, Frank and Walter Ramsey, three pairs of brothers."

William Gans, the father of William P. Griffin's wife, was the son of Jacob Gans, a dunkard, who emigrated from Germany to escape religious persecution. He settled first near Antietam, Md., and moved to Fayette county in 1785, where his son William was born, 7 October, 1788. Magdalane Gans, born 27 April, 1793, was the daughter of George Custer, son of Paul Custer and Sarah Ball. (Ellis's "History of Fayette County.")

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(130) Ann Griffin (Jabez, 38, William, William, Samuel), born 12th 4th mo., 1796; died 23rd 7th mo., 1878; married, 3rd 11th mo., 1825, Elijah Weaver, born 4th 9th mo., 1772, died (by acci-

dent) 11th 11th mo., 1848, son of Thomas and Abigail Weaver, of New Jersey.

CHILDREN.

(298) I. Abigail Weaver, born ——; married John J. White (his second wife), died in 1879. Residence: Philadelphia, Pa.

(299) II. Elijah Weaver, born ——; died February, 1902; married, (1), —— ——, (2), Flora V ——. Ch: (1. wife's) Chandler Weaver; Rebecca Weaver, married —— Leech.

(300) III. Jabez Weaver, born ——.

(301) IV. Thomas Weaver, born ——; died ——; married ——.

The certificate of removal of Ann Griffin from the Duck Creek Meeting to the Philadelphia Meeting is dated 8th 6th mo., 1814. Ann Weaver was a minister of the Green Street Friends' Meeting, Philadelphia, Pa.

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(133) Ann Cheffin (Sarah, 40, William, William, Samuel), born ——; died in 1844; married Thomas Lamb, born in 1796, died in 1873, son of George Lamb and Mary Scotten (widow of Isaac Buckingham).

CHILDREN.

(302) I. James Price Lamb, born 6 December, 1829; married Sarah Elizabeth Fox.

(303) II. Margaret Lamb, born ——; married Thomas J. F. Smith.

(304) III. Rebecca Lamb, born ——; married John A. Hurlock.

Thomas Lamb was married three times. His first wife was Sarah Howard, a widow, who lived but a short time after his marriage. His second wife was Ann Cheffin, and his third was Mary A. Stevens, daughter of William Stevens and Elizabeth Sands, of Kent county, Md. Thomas Lamb was born near Kenton, on the Buckingham property. After his marriage with Ann Cheffin, he purchased a portion of the Cheffin estate, near Blackiston Cross Roads, where he lived until his death. He was a farmer. (From "Biographical and Genealogical History of Delaware.")

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(139) Ann Griffin (Ezekiel, 42, William, William, Samuel), born in 1801; died in 1870; married Isaac Griffin (92), which see.

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(141) Elizabeth Stout Griffin (Jacob Stout, 44, David, William, Samuel), born 13 March, 1801,

in Delaware; died 13 January, 1884, at Minneapolis, Kansas; married, 4 June, 1817, at St. Clairsville, Belmont county, Ohio, THOMAS REES, born 5 December, 1790, in Kent county, Delaware, died 21 April, 1870, in Preble county, Ohio, son of John Rees and Ann Green, of Little Creek hundred, Kent county, Delaware.

CHILDREN.

(305) I. Olivia Rebecca Rees, born 27 March, 1818; died 22 July, 1893; married Nathan Wilbur Carroll. No issue.

(306) II. Willard Hall Rees, born 17 September, 1819; married Amanda Hall.

(307) III. Griffin Rees, born 8 January, 1824; died young.

(308) IV. Jacob Griffin Rees, born 20 November, 1825; married Eleanora Stamm.

(309) V. Ellen Rees, born 23 September, 1827; married Wilson Pottenger.

(310) VI. Victor Dupont Rees, born 30 April, 1829; died 21 October, 1898; married Augusta Lois Carroll.

(311) VII. Macdonough Bainbridge Rees, born 10 February, 1831; married America F. Hall.

(312) VIII. Raymond Ringgold Rees, born 17 June, 1833; died 12 July, 1889; married Augusta Ward.

(313) IX. Sewell Green Rees, born 21 December, 1834; died in 1889; married ——.

(314) X. Decatur Stout Rees, born 17 November, 1836; married Phebe Rebecca Duncan.

(315) XI. Franklin Carroll Rees, born 10 June, 1840; married Catherine Shaltenbrand.

(316) XII. David Austin Rees, born 31 January, 1843; died 27 June, 1864, at the battle of Keneshaw Mt.

(317) XIII. Thomas Clayton Rees, born 10 January, 1844; died ——.

(318) XIV. Corwin Pottenger Rees, born 4 September, 1847; married Louise S. Merrill.

(For the continuation of this line see REES FAMILY.)

As a girl, Elizabeth S. Rees went to Lititz School, a noted seminary for girls in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania. She married at the age of sixteen, and a few years afterwards accompanied her husband to their new home in the western part of Ohio. Of her fourteen children, only one died in childhood, which speaks well for her motherly care. A daughter writes: "A devoted wife and mother, she was noted for her habits of industry; and, although left in good circumstances at the death of her husband, she did not choose to remain

idle, but brought into requisition, as in early life, her literary attainments, with remunerative results. Her prose and poetic effusions were eagerly sought as they appeared in the magazines and journals of the period. Her life was happily prolonged until assured that all her children, save two—one losing his life by drowning and the other in the service of his country—were comfortably settled in life." Her sturdy sons, in their turn, became pioneers to the country farther west, and wherever they have settled, there they have taken a leading part in the affairs of the community.

Elizabeth S. Rees in her younger days was called beautiful, and she preserved her good looks to the end of her life. She was of good stature, and had a fine carriage. Like her husband, she had dark hair and gray eyes.

The following obituary was published in "The Messenger," of Minneapolis, Kansas: "Died—Sunday, January the 13th, 1884, Mrs. Elizabeth S. Griffin Rees, aged nearly 83 years, at the home of her son, Victor D. Rees, buried Monday the 14th, in the Highland Cemetery, near Minneapolis. She was followed to the grave by her many relatives and friends, who mourn her loss. She was a true, noble woman, industrious, conscientious, a good and true friend, despising all shams and hypocrisy. She had prepared the following paper, which was all she desired said at her burial. Rev. Joy Bishop, of Delphos, officiated at the funeral:

"'I was born March 13, 1801, in Smyrna, New Castle county, Delaware; educated at Lititz boarding school, Lancaster county, Pa.; married Thomas Rees, of Delaware, in St. Clairsville, Belmont county, Ohio, June 4, 1817; moved from Delaware to Preble county, Ohio, in 1825, and from thence to Reily, Butler county, Ohio, in 1831. Brought up to man and womanhood eleven sons and two daughters, for whose good and pure moral attainments I have earnestly prayed and thanked God through many years. The few duties of life performed and the many left undone, are known only to God, and to Him alone I look for justice.

"'This is all I wish said of myself at my burial.

"'ELIZABETH S. GRIFFIN REES.'"

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(142) HANNAH GRIFFIN (Jacob Stout, 44, David, William, Samuel), born 15 November, 1808, on Duck Creek, in New Castle county, Delaware; died 25 July, 1892, in Minneapolis, Kansas; married, (1), 23 March, 1831, in Butler county, Ohio, CHARLES CAMPBELL, born 17 February, 1807, in Bourbon county, Kentucky, died in 1844, in Preble county, Ohio, son of James Campbell and Sarah Trotter; married, (2), in 1845, JAMES BURNS, born 22 November, 1787, died 17 November, 1867, at Camden, Preble county, Ohio.

CHILDREN.

By first husband.

(319) I. James Campbell, born 29 February, 1832; died 21 April, 1832.

(320) II. Sarah Campbell, born 9 February, 1833; died 14 June, 1833.

(321) III. Jacob Campbell, born 9 April, 1834; married Clara Jane Elder.

(322) IV. Samuel Campbell, born 11 August, 1835; died 28 February, 1877, in Ottawa county, Kansas.

(323) V. William Madison Campbell, born 23 December, 1837; died — February, 1883, at Pueblo, Colorado; married Aletha Collins.

(324) VI. Rebecca Ann Campbell, born 17 February, 1840; died 14 November, 1871, in Ottawa county, Kansas; married, 1869, Harvey Robinson.

(325) VII. Mary Elizabeth Campbell, born 21 February, 1842; died — June, 1842.

(326) VIII. Charles Campbell, born 9 February, 1844; married Caroline E. Wear, daughter of Luther Wear.

By second husband.

(327) IX. Hannah Maria Burns, born 6 August, 1847; married John I. Brown.

(328) X. Alice Burns, born in 1852; died in 1853.

Charles Campbell was a carpenter and farmer; and James Burns was a farmer. In 1877, Hannah Burns followed her children to Kansas.

(143) Rebecca Ann Griffin (Jacob Stout, 44, David, William, Samuel), born 15 November, 1808, on Duck creek, New Castle county, Delaware; died 4 July, 1896, at Camden, Preble county, Ohio; married, 7 September, 1826, Boyce Eidson, born 3 September, 1802, died 22 April, 1847, at Johnstown, Montgomery county, Ohio, son of Henry Eidson and Nancy Bunch. Boyce Eidson was a farmer.

CHILDREN.

(329) I. Griffin Eidson, born 26 October, 1827; died 24 March, 1897, at Eaton, Ohio; married, 26 October, 1855, Parmelia Degroot. No issue.

(330) II. Henry Bunch Eidson, born 26 August, 1829; died in 1877; unmarried.

(331) III. Charles Bracken Eidson, born 17 July, 1831; died 28 March, 1876; married Ruth Elliott, a Quakeress.

(332) IV. Ann (Nancy) Jane Eidson, born 24 December, 1832; married, 7 October, 1852, Chester P. Reusman. Residence: Eaton, Ohio. 3 children.

(333) V. Francis Marion Eidson, born 14 December, 1834; married Lieucette A. Kester. Residence: Greenville, Ohio.

(334) VI. Priscilla Eidson, born 17 April, 1836; married James Gable. Residence: Chehalis, Washington.

(335) VII. Willard Alonzo Eidson, born 5 December, 1838; married, 20 May, 1877, Elizabeth Pugh. Residence: Eaton, Ohio.

(336) VIII. Lucy Ellen Eidson, born 14 October, 1841; married, 21 December, 1865, Henry H. Payne. Residence: Camden, Ohio. 2 daughters: Cora Griffin Payne and Lulu Eidson Payne.

(337) IX. Hannah Maria Eidson, born 24 April, 1843; died 7 June, 1845.

(338) X. Olivia Rees Eidson, born 4 March, 1845; died 27 November, 1895; married, 6 December, 1866, William Shewman.

(339) XI. Rebecca Ann Eidson, born 24 March, 1847; died 2 November, 1875; married, 5 December, 1867, Benjamin M. Smith, of Summerville, Ohio.

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(144) Eleanor Griffin (Jacob Stout, 44, David, William, Samuel), born 2 May, 1819, near Smyrna, Delaware; married, 27 October, 1836, in Reiley, Butler county, Ohio, John Cregmile, born 27 March, 1811, in Reiley, Ohio, died 31 July, 1888, in Richmond, Indiana.

CHILDREN.

(340) I. Priscilla Cregmile, born 2 June, 1838; died 23 December, 1873; married Andrew J. Port.

(341) II. Mary Cregmile, born 9 January, 1841; married Gustave Peters.

(342) III. Southgate Cregmile, born 19 January, 1843; died 22 June, 1865, from wounds received in the last battle of the Civil War.

(343) IV. Crittenden Cregmile, born 17 September, 1845; married Margaret Ann Scott.

(344) V. Wiley Mangum Cregmile, born 21 March, 1848; married Caroline Verkamp.

(345) VI. Dorothy Cregmile, born 1 April, 1850; died 8 September, 1851.

(346) VII. Laura Cregmile, born 4 June, 1852; married Charles B. Smith.

(347) VIII. Rachel (Kate R.) Cregmile, born 9 February, 1855; unmarried. Residence: Cincinnati, Ohio.

(348) IX. Harriet Cregmile, born 19 March, 1858; married Charles B. Kepler.

(349) X. Caroline Cregmile, born 6 November, 1860; married John M. Wood.

John Cregmile was a farmer. His widow resides in Cincinnati, Ohio.

(145) David Griffin (Jacob Stout, 44, David, William, Samuel), born 31 January, 1821, in Reiley, Butler county, Ohio; died 8 June, 1888, in Reiley; married, (1), Rachel Young, (2), ——.

CHILDREN.

By first wife.

(350) I. Ellen, born ——.

(351) II. Elizabeth, born ——, 1854; married —— Simpson.

(352) III. Nora, born ——.

By second wife.

(353) IV. Ambrose, born ——; married ——.

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(148) Rebecca Blackiston (Eleanor, 46, David, William, Samuel), born ——, in Appoquinimink hundred; died ——; married John W. Thomas, son of John Thomas and Isabella Clark, of Appoquinimink hundred.

CHILDREN.

(354) I. Mary E. Thomas, born ——; married John L. Seemans.

There were other children born to Rebecca Thomas, names unknown. John W. Thomas was a farmer.

(157) NATHANIEL HOWARD GRIFFIN (Nathaniel, 49, George, William, Samuel), born 4 March, 1837; married MARY E. HOLLAND (widow Clark).

CHILDREN.

(355) I. Hiram D., born 24 September, 1867; married Julia F. Cleaver (widow Boyd).

(356) II. Sarah E., born ——.

(357) III. John N., born ——; died in 1890.

(358) IV. Ebbanora, born ——.

(359) V. Howard, born ——.

Nathaniel H. Griffin is a farmer, and lives near Kenton, Delaware.

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(162) SARAH BERRY (Mary, 50, Mary, William, Samuel), born 19 October, 1781; died 28 September, 1831; married, 13 September, 1807, ABEL HARRIS.

CHILDREN.

(360) I. Emeline Harris, born 23 June, 1808; died unmarried.

(361) II. Caroline E. Harris, born 19 September, 1809; died unmarried.

(362) III. William Berry Harris, born 3 October, 1812; died 4 June, 1813.

(363) IV. Amanda Malvina Harris, born 2 April, 1814; died unmarried.

(364) V. Charles Berry Harris, born 15 March, 1816; died unmarried.

(365) VI. William Harris, born 6 February, 1818; died unmarried.

(366) VII. Emily Adelaide Harris, born 6 April, 1820; died unmarried.

(367) VIII. Napoleon B. Harris, born 6 August, 1822; married —— Harris.

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(163) Ann Berry (Mary, 50, Mary, William, Samuel), born 5 December, 1782; died 3 October, 1864; married, (1), 15 September, 1803, Robert Broadaway, born — March, 1782, died 3 April, 1812, son of Ambrose Broadaway (died 1787); married, (2), 1 February, 1816, Thomas Lockwood, born 12 April, 1762, died 9 April, 1824; married, (3), 19 January, 1826, David Marvel, born 18 January, 1775, died 13 September, 1866.

CHILDREN.

By first husband.

(368) I. Mary Broadaway, born 3 July, 1804; married Ezekiel Cooper.

(369) II. Ambrose Broadaway, born 4 April, 1806; married Ann Watson.

(370) III. Sarah Ann Broadaway, born 9 August, 1808; married Thomas Jefferson Marvel.

(371) IV. Ruthanna Broadaway, born 3 February, 1812; married Nathaniel Marvel. (No issue.)

By second husband.

(372) V. Gertrude Lockwood, born 19 January, 1817; married John Asbury Stevenson.

(373) VI. Miriam Lockwood, born 24 February, 1818; married Ezekiel Bullock Clements.

(374) VII. John Durborough Lockwood, born 19 August, 1820; married Mary Ann Seney.

(375) VIII. Drusilla Lockwood, born 1 November, 1823; died 26 November, 1823.

By third husband.

(376) IX. Emma Marvel, born 4 July, 1827; died November, 1828.

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(166) Ruthanna Clark (Mary, 50, Mary, William, Samuel), born ——; died ——; married Nathan Ward.

CHILDREN.

(377) I. Harriet Ward, born ——; married John Dennis.

(378) II. Malvina Ward, born ——; married James Voshell.

(379) III. Willard Ward, born ——; married ——.

NOTE.—This account of the descendants of Mary Leach was obtained from John Cooper Gooden, of Willow Grove, Delaware.

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(168) BENJAMIN WARREN (Elizabeth, 64, Owen, Samuel, Samuel), born 21 February, 1782; died 15 September, 1820; married SUSANNA LUFF, born 29 March, 1790; died 15 January, 1852, daughter of Dr. Nathaniel Luff.[18]

CHILDREN.

(380) I. Nathaniel Luff Warren, born 20 April, 1807; died ——; married, (1), Margaret Bonwill, (2), Margaret A. Collins.

(381) II. John Warren, born 1 March, 1809; died 8 January, 1852; married Margaret Ann Lindale.

[18] Hugh Luff, who came from England in the latter part of the seventeenth century, had two sons, namely, Nathaniel, of Mispillion hundred, and Caleb, of St. Jones's hundred. Caleb had two sons, named Nathaniel and John. The former, Dr. Nathaniel Luff, was born in St. Jones's Neck, Kent county, on the 23 April, 1756. He married, September, 1798, Lydia Sipple, daughter of Garrett Sipple, of near Camden, and the widow of John Boon, of Frederica. He died 21 January, 1806. (Scharf's History of Delaware.)

Dr. Nathaniel Luff was an officer in Washington's army during the Revolutionary War.

(382) III. Elizabeth Painter Warren, born 28 April, 1811; died July, 1881; married William B. Harrington.

(383) IV. George Rodney Warren, born 19 May, 1814; died 6 January, 1884; married Mary Jane Laws.

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(169) SAMUEL WARREN (Elizabeth, 64, Owen, Samuel, Samuel), born 27 February, 1784; died ——; married, (1), —— HEUSTON, (2), 16 January, 1806, RUTH LOWBER, born ——, died 3 September, 1812, (3), in 1816, MARY WILLOUGHBY.

CHILDREN.

By second wife.

(384) I. Elizabeth Warren, born 5 April, 1807; died ——; married William Hirons.

(385) II. John Lowber Warren, born ——; died young.

By third wife.

(386) III. Charles Warren, born 5 October, 1817; died 7 May, 1868; married Sarah A. White.

(387) IV. Ruth Warren, born 19 January, 1819; died 29 September, 1820.

(388) V. Mary Warren, born 31 December, 1820; died ——; married Charles H. B. Day.

Samuel Warren was a soldier in the War of 1812. His first wife died two weeks after their marriage.

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(174) CHARLES WARREN (Elizabeth, 64, Owen, Samuel, Samuel), born 16 August, 1795; died ——; married, (1), —— HARPER, (2), MARY SIMINGTON.

CHILDREN.

By first wife.

(389) I. Rachel Warren, born ——; died ——; married Jacob Harmon.

By second wife.

(390) II. Benjamin Warren, born ——; died in infancy.

(391) III. Charles Warren, born ——; died ——; married Sarah Seely.

(392) IV. John Warren, born ——; died ——; married Sarah Collins, and lived in Virginia.

(393) V. Abigail Elizabeth Warren, born ——; died 15 April, 1889; married William Gibson Arlington Bonwill.

(394) VI. Mary Warren, born ——; died ——; married Captain Gifford.

(395) VII. Zipporah Warren, born ——; died ——; married —— Stewart, and lived in Washington, D. C.

(396) VIII. Isabella Warren, born ——; died ——; married Joseph Chambers, and lived in Dover, Del.

(397) IX. William Warren, born ——; died ——; married —— Cox. He was a soldier in the Confederate army during the War of the Rebellion, and afterwards lived in Washington, D. C.

(398) X. Benjamin Warren, born ——; died ——; unmarried.

(399) XI. Thomas Griffith Warren, born ——; died ——; unmarried. He was a Confederate soldier in the War of the Rebellion.

(400) XII. Harriet Warren, born ——; died ——; married Charles Clement, and lived in Philadelphia, Pa.

Mrs. Sarah A. Warren wrote that Charles Warren had thirteen children, but in the list which she furnished only twelve are mentioned by name. Charles Warren lived for a time near Newark, in New Castle county. He afterwards moved to tidewater Virginia.

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(175) ELIZABETH WARREN (Elizabeth, 64, Owen, Samuel, Samuel), born 2 January, 1799; died in 1832; married, (1), JOSEPH HARPER, (2), JAMES LINDALE.

CHILDREN.

By first husband.

(401) I. Thomas Stewart Harper, born 23 August, 1823; died 28 March, 1882; married Elizabeth Hazel.

(402) II. Margaret Harper, born ——; died young.

By second husband.

(403) III. John Wesley Lindale, born ——; married Maria Striker. Residence: Glenwood, Indiana.

Joseph Harper was a farmer, and lived near Leipsic, Kent county, Del. He died in 1827. James Lindale was from the vicinity of Frederica, Del.

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(178) Samuel Patterson (Thomas, 66, Rachel, Samuel, Samuel), born ——; died ——; married, (1), —— ——, (2), in 1813, Ann Stout, born ——, died in 1822.

CHILDREN.

(404) I. Thomas Patterson, born ——.

(405) II. Samuel Patterson, born ——; married Mary Van Winkle.

(406) III. Mary Patterson, born 8 May, 1819; married James S. Truax.

(407) IV. Elizabeth Patterson, born in 1822; married Edward Milbourne. Res.: Templeville, Md.

There is some doubt about this family, but as a blood relationship is acknowledged between them and the Griffins and Wallaces it seems probable that the descent is as here given.

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(181) RACHEL WALLACE (Elizabeth, 69, Rachel, Samuel, Samuel), born 8 September, 1791; died 20 December, 1869; married, 17 March, 1814, JOHN CRAIG, born ——, died in 1831.

CHILDREN.

(408) I. Mary E. Craig, born in 1815.
(409) II. Frances Ann Craig, born 6 December, 1816; died 21 June, 1881; unmarried.
(410) III. Samuel Wallace Craig, born in 1818.
(411) IV. Clementine Craig, born in 1820; died in 1825.
(412) V. Emily Craig, born in 1823.
(413) VI. Elizabeth Wallace Craig, born in 1826.
(414) VII. Rebecca Ellen Craig, born in 1828.
(415) VIII. John Craig, born in 1831.

Rachel Craig and her daughter Frances Ann are buried in the Bryn Zion graveyard, near Kenton, Del. Samuel W. Craig lives near Hartly, Kent county.

(185) Jacob Rotheram Griffin (John, 76, Samuel, Samuel, Samuel), born 1 August, 1793; died 4 September, 1866; married, (1), Susan Rees, born 5 April, 1797, died 6 August, 1826, daughter of David Rees and Jemima Spruance; (2), 8 November, 1826 (date of marriage bond), Mary Covington; (3), 24 December, 1848, Susan W. Cole (widow Graves), born 14 June, 1811, near Jackson, Miss., daughter of a Southern planter.

CHILDREN.

By first wife.

(416) I. David Rees, born ——; died 1849; married Margaret Upchurch.

(417) II. Mary Elizabeth, born 25 December, 1819; died 13 December, 1881; married Edward Streets.

(418) III. Angelica, born — August, 1821; married William Evans.

By third wife.

(419) IV. Laura, born 10 August, 1851; married Henry Price.

Jacob R. Griffin after his first marriage lived on the farm which his wife had inherited from her mother, Jemima Rees. This was part of the Spruance property willed by John Spruance to his daughter Jemima. There Susan Griffin's children were born. They moved from this farm to the

Eastern Shore of Maryland, near Church Hill, where the first wife died. After her death he returned to Delaware, and lived for a while on the farm afterwards owned by Tilghman Foxwell, near his first place of residence, on the opposite side of the Upper Alley road. From there he moved to Dover, where he went into the hotel business. In 184–, he went to the western part of Illinois, where his wife and son afterwards joined him. After the death of the former he moved to Mississippi, where he married his third wife. Shortly after the birth of their child the family moved to Texas, and finally settled permanently on the Colorado river, at Wharton, Wharton county, where he died.

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(186) SAMUEL GRIFFIN (John, 76, Samuel, Samuel, Samuel), born 26 June, 1797; died, in Smyrna, 29 June, 1883; married, (1), 4 February, 1824, LYDIA REES (widow of Robert Scott), born ——, died 8 October, 1824, daughter of Jeremiah Rees and Rhoda Wallace; married, (2), 7 April, 1825, HESTER REES, born 10 February, 1789, died 13 April, 1826, daughter of John Rees, and Ann Green; married, (3), 16 December, 1830, ELIZABETH WILDS, born 20 January, 1806, died 24 October, 1886, daughter of Nathaniel Wilds and Mary Denny.

CHILDREN.

By first wife.

(420) I. Mary, born 8 October, 1824; married Hynson Wooleyhan.

By second wife.

(421) II. John Rees, born 8 January, 1826; died 29 January, 1897; married Rachel George.

By third wife.

(422) III. Sarah Elizabeth, born 4 December, 1831; died 18 November, 1896; married, (1), Joseph H. Savin, (2), James Henry Pratt.

(423) IV. James Francis, born 9 March, 1833, near Kenton, Del.; died 28 April, 1899, in Chicago, Ill.; married, (1), 20 May, 1867, in Chicago, Ill., Clara Kelley, (2), April, 1884, Lydia A. Haskell. He was in the real estate business in Chicago. He died without issue.

(424) V. William Henry, born 30 November, 1834; died 10 March, 1837.

(425) VI. Lydia Ann, born 7 November, 1837; died 4 November, 1874; unmarried.

(426) VII. Georgianna, born 30 July, 1841; married Thomas A. Rees.

(427) VIII. Susan Rebecca, born 13 March, 1845; died 27 January, 1890; unmarried.

Samuel Griffin learned the trade of saddlery before he became a farmer. He lived on the farm bequeathed to him by his grandmother, Mary Griffin. This was the property mentioned in the will of Samuel Griffin, the third, as his "mansion or dwelling farm," and which he left to his son Thomas. It was afterwards sold by the sheriff to pay the debts of the latter, and was bought by his mother.

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(187) ELIZA WILDS GRIFFIN (Thomas, 79, Samuel, Samuel, Samuel), born in 1799; died 12 May, 1881; married WILLIAM HOWARD, born in 1796, died 17 March, 1878.

CHILDREN.

(428) I. Thomas G. Howard, born ——.
(429) II. Mary G. Howard, born ——.
(430) III. Mary E. Howard, born ——.
(431) IV. Rebecca W. Howard, born ——.

In the cemetery of the Bryn Zion Baptist church there is a stone erected to commemorate this family, now extinct. Eliza W. and William Howard both died in their 82d year. On the stone is this inscription:

"Sacred to the Memory of

Thomas G.
Mary G.
Mary E.
Rebecca W.,

Children of William and Eliza Howard."

They apparently all died young.

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(209) JAMES MORRIS GRIFFIN (Samuel, 87, Isaac, Samuel, Samuel), born 24 August, 1813; died ——; married, (1), 23 September, 1840, MARGARET COX, (2), 29 December, 1850, HANNAH MASON.

CHILDREN.

By first wife.

(432) I. Thomas, born 13 October, 1841; died ——; married Lucy Smead.

(433) II. Esther Eliza, born 23 July, 1844; died 23 March, 1878; married Edward Stanley.

By second wife.

(434) III. Lavinia, born 9 October, 1852; married, 4 July, 1876, Hiram Wasson.

(435) IV. Amanda, born 9 November, 1854; married Randolph Miles.

(436) V. Albert Gallatin, born 15 October, 1856; died September, 1859.

(437) VI. James Madison, born 27 April, 1858.

(438) VII. Rosabel, born 3 December, 1859; died 27 January, 1890; married Cornelius Johnson.

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(215) THOMAS MASTERSON GRIFFIN (Samuel, 87, Isaac, Samuel, Samuel), born 21 March, 1825; married, 3 March, 1859, AMANDA FARRIS.

CHILDREN.

(439) I. William Taylor, born 10 June, 1860.
(440) II. Martha Esther, born 3 August, 1864; married F. A. Peyton.
(441) III. Harriet Maria, born 26 April, 1867.
(442) IV. Samuel Farris, born 23 November, 1869; died 26 December, 1869.
(443) V. Fannie Lizzie, born 24 January, 1871; married James C. Ross, Jr.
(444) VI. Charles Farris, born 13 January, 1874.
(445) VII. Thomas Masterson, born 28 July, 1876.
(446) VIII. Rosa Pearl, born 23 October, 1879.
(447) IX. Frank Eugene, born 9 December, 1882.

Thomas M. Griffin was a soldier in the Mexican War. At the close of that war he settled at Utica, Hinds county, Mississippi, where, later, he became engaged in cotton planting. He was a captain in the Confederate army during the Civil War. He has been twice elected to the state legislature of Mississippi.

(217) MARY ANN OLIPHANT (Mary Morris, 88, Isaac, Samuel, Samuel), born 1 May, 1807; died 12 July, 1842; married, 22 November, 1831, EDGAR C. WILSON.

CHILDREN.

(448) I. Eugenius M. Wilson,[19] born 25 December, 1833: died 10 April, 1890; married Elizabeth Kimball.

(449) II. James Oliphant Wilson, born 16 June, 1836; died 23 September, 1853.

(450) III. Lowrie Wilson, born 4 February, 1838; died March, 1867; unmarried.

(451) IV. Caroline Louisa Wilson, born 16 March, 1840; married William Woodbridge McNair, of Minneapolis, Minn.

"Edgar C. Wilson was a native of Virginia; was

[19] "Eugene M. Wilson, born in Morgan county, Va., December 25, 1833, graduated at Jefferson College in 1852, studied law and removed to Minnesota in 1855; was United States District Attorney for Minnesota from 1857 to 1861; served as a Captain in the war for the Union; was elected a Representative from Minnesota to the Forty-first Congress, serving on the Committees on Public Lands and the Pacific Railroads. His father, Edgar C. Wilson, his grandfather, Thomas Wilson, of Virginia, and his great-grandfather, Isaac Griffin, were all Representatives in Congress." (Lanman's "Biographical Annals.") "Thomas Wilson was a Representative in Congress from Virginia from 1811 to 1813. He died January 24, 1826." (Ibid.) Eugene M. Wilson died at Nassau, Bahama Islands.

a son of Thomas Wilson, of Virginia; was a Representative in Congress from that State from 1833 to 1835; died at Morgantown, Va., May, 1860." (Lanman's "Biographical Annals.")

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(218) JAMES MORRIS OLIPHANT (Mary Morris, 88, Isaac, Samuel, Samuel), born 11 June, 1810; died 6 February, 1866; married, (1), 12 April, 1832, CAROLINE TOUCEY, of Lawrenceburg, Indiana, (2), 8 June, 1837, MARGARET HERTZOG, of Smithfield, Pa., (3), 30 April, 1845, MARY BERRY CORSE, born 22 April, 1814, died 8 February, 1858, daughter of James Rigby Corse and Rebecca Morris, of Wilmington, Del. She was of Quaker parentage. (See "The Morris Family of Philadelphia.")

CHILDREN.

By first wife.

(452) I. Mary Lydia Oliphant, born 27 May, 1833; died 27 May, 1835.

(453) II. Lucinda Toucey Oliphant, born 20 December, 1834; died 3 August, 1835.

By second wife.

(454) III. Caroline Toucey Oliphant, born 18 March, 1839; died 11 April, 1862; unmarried.

By third wife.

(455) IV. Rebecca Corse Oliphant, born 12 February, 1846; died 25 March, 1884; married John Bachop Gilfillan, of Minneapolis, Minn.

(456) V. Mary Alice Oliphant, born 23 February, 1848; married Carroll T. Hobart, of Red Bank, Monmouth county, N. J. Mrs. Carroll T. Hobart has the original of the old deed shown on pages 19 to 21.

(457) VI. Andrew James Oliphant, born 5 November, 1849; died 2 October, 1850.

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(220) Elizabeth Haymond Oliphant (Mary Morris, 88, Isaac, Samuel, Samuel), born 19 April, 1826; married, 19 February, 1850, James Johnson Linn, of Minneapolis, Minn. (formerly of Brownsville, Pa.), grandson of Andrew Linn, of Pennsylvania.

CHILDREN.

(458) I. Anna M. Linn, born 2 April, 1851.

(459) II. Lizzie Belle Linn, born 25 November, 1855; married Clarence Osborne Nash.

(460) III. Florence Linn, born 17 November, 1858; died 19 February, 1859.

(222) THOMAS GRIFFIN (Ebenezer, 89, Isaac, Samuel, Samuel), born 13 June, 1810; died ——; married, 13 September, 1832, ELIZABETH CASEMENT.

CHILDREN.

(461) I. Mary L., born 7 June, 1833; died 4 June, 1835.

(462) II. Isaiah, born 17 January, 1836; married, (1), Elizabeth Doak, (2), Elizabeth J. Richards.

(463) III. William E., born 21 October, 1837; married, 24 February, 1884, Harriet Hess.

(464) IV. Lydia A., born 2 September, 1839.

(465) V. Ebenezer, born 18 January, 1841; died 27 December, 1894; married Lydia M. Freeman.

(466) VI. Alpheus, born 18 December, 1843.

(467) VII. Almada, born 1 May, 1846.

(468) VIII. Sarah E., born 5 January, 1849.

(469) IX. Daniel Floyd, born 15 June, 1851; married Margaret Virginia Williamson.

(470) X. Cassandra, born 14 February, 1855; married A. J. Whitecotton.

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(223) MARY F. GRIFFIN (Ebenezer, 89, Isaac, Samuel, Samuel), born 21 November, 1811; died

15 November, 1862; married, (1), 15 September, 1832, DAVID HUSTED, (2), in 1845, WILLIAM ZERLEY.

CHILDREN.

By first husband.

(471) I. James Thompson Husted, born 10 May, 1833; died 27 October, 1859; married Mary Fairchild.

(472) II. Sarah Husted, born 18 July, 1836; died 17 June, 1862.

(473) III. Leah Jane Husted, born 24 June, 1838; died 5 November, 1857.

By second husband.

(474) IV. Marie Louisa Zerley, born 2 December, 1846; died 8 February, 1866; married, in 1865, Charles Stantz.

(475) V. Mary Elizabeth Zerley, born 14 April, 1850; died 19 July, 1882; married, 5 March, 1871, —— Showalter.

(476) VI. Alice Lavinia Zerley, born 28 April, 1852; married, 25 April, 1872, Ellis A. Billingslee.

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(224) GARRETT CLAWSON GRIFFIN (Ebenezer, 89, Isaac, Samuel, Samuel), born 23 May, 1815; died 13 June, 1861; married, 7 November, 1833, LYDIA HUSTED.

CHILDREN.

(477) I. Elizabeth, born 16 April, 1835; died 13 May, 1848.

(478) II. John Alexander, born 5 March, 1836; died 24 August, 1868; married Serena Walker.

(479) III. Louisa, born 9 May, 1839; died 7 March, 1891; married, (1), David Love, (2), A. J. Petit.

(480) IV. James Oliphant, born 31 December, 1841; died 27 April, 1865. He was a soldier in the 50th Ohio regiment of infantry, from 1862 to 1865. He was a prisoner at Andersonville, Ga., and, returning home after hostilities had ceased, lost his life on the steamer "Sultana," which blew up near Memphis, Tenn.

(481) V. William Husted, born 22 January, 1844; married Clara Annabella Uhl.

(482) VI. Grant Morris, born 7 October, 1846; married Sarah E. Page.

(483) VII. Thomas Alpheus, born 29 May, 1849; died 30 September, 1889; married, (1), Mary A. Rider, (2), Sarah Hall.

(484) VIII. Calvin Maxwell, born 17 January 1852; died 15 March, 1861.

(225) Maria N. Griffin (Ebenezer, 89, Isaac, Samuel, Samuel), born in 1818; died 17 November, 1852; married, 20 November, 1838, Edward M. Roe.

CHILDREN.

(485) I. James M. Roe, born 2 November, 1840; died 17 March, 1841.

(486) II. Mary Louisa Roe, born 29 September, 1842; married Samuel Patterson.

(487) III. Theodore C. Roe, born 23 October, 1844; died 23 July, 1846.

(488) IV. America Roe, born 24 September, 1846; died 14 January, 1877; married John D. Hutchinson.

(489) V. Georgie Anna Roe, born 2 February, 1850; married Andrew McKibbin.

(490) VI. Louis Edward Roe, born 7 November, 1851; married, 21 June, 1894, Ann Patterson.

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(226) Keziah Griffin (Ebenezer, 89, Isaac, Samuel, Samuel), born 15 March, 1820; died ——; married, 15 January, 1837, Richard Dotson.

CHILDREN.

(491) I. Helen Mary Dotson, born 12 August, 1842; married, 23 May, 1884, Preston Groves.

(492) II. Edgar Dotson, born ——.

(493) III. Elizabeth Ann Dotson, born 22 August, 1845; married James Murphey.

(494) IV. Frances Clawson Dotson, born 21 September, 1850; married George Dye.

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(227) ALPHEUS GRIFFIN (Ebenezer, 89, Isaac, Samuel, Samuel), born 6 January, 1827; died ——; married, 16 March, 1848, SERENA PADGIT.

CHILDREN.

(495) I. James A., born 15 March, 1849; married, 19 October, 1880, Mary E. Baker.

(496) II. Thomas Henry, born 13 June, 1850.

(497) III. William G., born 20 November, 1851; married Sarah Ryder.

(498) IV. Edward R., born 30 June, 1853; died 26 December, 1853.

(499) V. Charles E., born 27 October, 1855; married Ruth Devol.

(500) VI. Leah A., born 6 October, 1857; married Charles M. McKinzie.

(501) VII. George Ervin, born 2 February, 1859; married Lucy B. Hazlerigg.

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(231) JOSEPH EZEKIEL GRIFFIN (Isaac, 92, Isaac, Samuel, Samuel, and Ann, 139, Ezekiel, William,

William, Samuel), born in 1821; died in 1889, married, (1), in 1858, ELLEN E. ALLISON, died in 1859, of Waynesburgh, Pa., (2), in 1876, MARTHA —— (widow Hughes).

CHILDREN.

By first wife.

(502) I. Charles Black, born in 1859; married, (1), Mary Sitton, (2), Lee Kennedy.

Joseph E. Griffin was a member of the state legislature of Pennsylvania, from Fayette county, in 1849 and 1850. In 1851 he moved to Montgomery county, Texas, where he died. His first wife also died there, of the yellow fever. He was a soldier in the Civil War for four years or more. Much information of the early history of the family was obtained from Joseph E. Griffin, who inherited traditions through two lines of descent.

Charles Black Griffin was born in Montgomery, Texas, and was educated at Waynesburgh, Green county, Pennsylvania. He is the manager of the "Southern Land and Lumber Company," of Shreveport, Louisiana.

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(233) WILLIAM GRIFFIN (John, 94, Samuel, Matthew, Samuel), born 9 June, 1812; died 25 May, 1862; married, 15 September, 1836, EMALINE PRICE, daughter of Joseph and Ann Price.

CHILDREN.

(503) I. Nancy, born 10, June, 1837; married, 3 July, 1856, in Petersburg, Somerset county, Pa., John L. Yeast.

(504) II. Sarah Ann, born 25 November, 1840; died January, 1899, in Longton, Kansas; married, 29 December, 1864, in Bardolph, McDonough county, Ill., Isaac Conaway.

(505) III. John, born 26 April, 1842; died in infancy.

(506) IV. Joseph Price, born 8 August, 1843; married, 20 September, 1863, in Pennsylvania, Elizabeth Clister. He lived in Illinois until 1870, when he moved to Iowa, where he remained several years. From thence he went to the Indian Territory and to Kansas. He lives at present (1902) near Melvern, Kansas.

(507) V. Mary Elizabeth, born 25 April, 1845; died in 1899; married, 17 January, 1867, at Wenona, Ill., Harvey Bosley. She and her husband died in the fall of 1899, while moving from Texas to Oklahoma.

(508) VI. Lydia Ann, born 18 October, 1847; married in 1871, John V. Hastings. She lives in Williamsburg, Iowa.

(509) VII. William Henry, born 2 February, 1849; married, 20 November, 1873, Margaret Kemp. Except two years in Iowa, he has lived in Illinois since immigrating there in 1863.

(510) VIII. Rebecca Ellen, born 3 April, 1851; died 22 June, 1852.

(511) IX. Samuel C., born 15 June, 1853; married, 27 December, 1877, in La Salle county, Ill., Isabell Cusac. Emigrated to near Clyde, Cloud county, Kansas.

(512) X. Nathaniel E., born 18 October, 1856; married, 26 November, 1879, in La Salle county, Ill., Minerva Cusac. He moved to Kansas shortly after his marriage, and lived there until his wife's death, six or seven years later, when he returned to Illinois. He resides at present (1902) in Williamsburg, Iowa.

William Griffin was married in Wharton township, Fayette county, Pennsylvania, by the Rev. Joel Stoneroad, pastor of the Presbyterian church in Uniontown. It has already been stated that he succeeded to the business of his father after the latter's death. He died in Fayette county, and after his death all his family, except Nancy, emi-

grated to McDonough county, Illinois. They traveled in covered wagons, and arrived at their destination in December, 1863.

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(234) James Laurence Griffin (John, 94, Samuel, Matthew, Samuel), born 16 November, 1813; died ——; married, 25 December, 1840, Ellen L. Swearingen.

CHILDREN.

(513) I. John, born ——.

Late in life James L. Griffin moved to Ohio, where he died. He had a second child, a girl, name unknown.

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(240) William Rees Griffin (William, 95, Samuel, Matthew, Samuel), born about 1833, in Fayette county, Pa.; died 14 August, 1879, at Fort Scott, Kansas; married, 1852, at Smithfield, Fayette county, Pa., Jemima Agnes Showalter, born about 1833, in Wetzel county, West Virginia, daughter of Ulrich and Elizabeth Showalter.

CHILDREN.

(514) I. Ulrich Minor, born 24 May, 1855, at Smithfield, Fayette county, Pa.; married, 1882, Grace Hitchcock. A physician. Res., Girard, Kan.

(515) II. David Boardman, born 1858; married, 1886, Bell Drum. A physician. Res., Silverton, Oregon.

(516) III. Lincoln Wade, born 1860; married, 1886, Sarah (Sallie) Pool. A physician. Res., Fort Scott, Kansas.

(517) IV. William Oliphant, born 1863; married, 1885, Mary Matix. Res., Moscow, Idaho.

(518) V. Elizabeth Francina, born 1865; married, 1890, Douglass Taylor. Res., Fort Scott, Kansas.

(519) VI. James Reppart, born 1867; married. Res., Fort Scott, Kansas.

(520) VII. Edgar Thomas, born 1870, at Fort Scott, Kansas; married, 1893, Beatrice Peak. Res., Galena, Kansas.

(521) VIII. Omer Ezekiel, born 1874; married, 1892, Cora Billingsley. Res., Kansas City, Mo.

(522) IX. Martha Ellen, born 1877. Res., Fort Scott, Kansas.

William R. Griffin, according to the statement of his son, Dr. U. M. Griffin, was a farmer and a politician. He emigrated to Kansas in 1868, and settled in Fort Scott in 1869. This family is undoubtedly connected with the other Griffins of Fayette county through the line of Matthew. But,

not being able to give the name of their grandfather, their line of descent is unsettled. They profess the Baptist faith, and have always claimed relationship with the family in Pa. According to Dr. U. M. Griffin his grandmother was Elizabeth Francina Griffin; while another authority states William Griffin (95) married Sarah McKee.

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(244) Ann Jemima Griffin (John Spruance, 99, David, Matthew, Samuel), born 5 May, 1821; died 17 January, 1895; married Tilghman Foxwell.

CHILDREN.

(523) I. Elizabeth Foxwell, born ——; married Daniel W. Jones.

(524) II. Garrett Foxwell, born ——; married ——.

(525) III. John Foxwell, born ——; married ——.

(526) IV. Lydia Foxwell, born ——; married John Golt.

Tilghman Foxwell was the owner of what was known as Foxwell's Tavern, and is now called the Smyrna Hotel. This hotel was built in 1787 by Joshua Fisher, and was kept by Thomas Hale in 1792, when the state legislature held its sessions in it. Tilghman Foxwell, before becoming a hotel-keeper, was a farmer.

(249) Samuel Spruance Griffin (John Spruance, 99, David, Matthew, Samuel), born 29 April, 1829; married, 12 February, 1852, Sarah Jane Rash, daughter of John H. and Martha Rash, of Duck Creek hundred, died 1905.

CHILDREN.

(527) I. Martha E., born 23 November, 1852; died 21 April, 1857.

(528) II. John Spruance, born 6 February, 1855; married Florence Hutchinson.

(529) III. Anna Mary, born 21 March, 1857.

(530) IV. Elizabeth B., born 24 January, 1859; married Samuel Wheatman.

(531) V. Rebecca Jane, born 9 January, 1861; married Daniel W. Morris.

(532) VI. Jemima, born 22 April, 1863; died ——.

(533) VII. Lydia, born 22 April, 1863 (twin with Jemima); died ——.

(534) VIII. Susan, born 13 May, 1867; married George Conway.

(535) IX. Sarah, born 13 May, 1867 (twin with Susan); married David S. Knotts.

Samuel S. Griffin was born in the "Alley." He is a farmer, and lives [d. 1903] near the "Big Oak," in Duck Creek hundred, on a farm that was the property of his wife's family. On the sixth of No-

vember, 1862, he enlisted as a private in the Sixth regiment Delaware infantry, company E, Captain Tschudy. He was afterward promoted to a corporal. He went with his regiment to the Gunpowder river, where he did duty for three months guarding bridges. The regiment was then sent back to the state to take charge of the draft. On 22 August, 1863, his term of enlistment having expired, he was mustered out, and returned home and resumed farming. He has served as school commissioner of his district.

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(250) LYDIA ELIZABETH GRIFFIN (John Spruance, 99, David, Matthew, Samuel), born 15 February, 1832; died 9 December, 1868; married DANIEL FARIES.

CHILDREN.

(536) I. Ida Faries, born 1 August, 1854; died 19 September, 1891; married Charles Frazeur.

(537) II. Walter Faries, born ——.

(538) III. Ella Faries, born ——.

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(252) NATHANIEL COVINGTON (Lydia, 100, David, Matthew, Samuel), born ——; died ——; married MARY FARROW, of Smyrna, Delaware.

CHILDREN.

(539) I. Sarah A. Covington, born ——; married —— Drake, of Fort Madison, Iowa.

(540) II. Eli Covington, born ——, of Keokuk, Iowa.

(541) III. Nathaniel Covington, born ——.

(542) IV. Helen Covington, born ——; married —— Hesser.

## SIXTH GENERATION.

(265) David Franklin Griffin (David Franklin, 113, Charles, Charles, William, Samuel), born 13 January, 1854, in Wenona, Illinois; married, 7 September, 1875, Melissa Dillman, born 15 November, 1853, in Marshall county, Illinois, daughter of Daniel Dillman and Emily Story.

CHILDREN.

(543) I. Frank, born 22 March, 1886.

David F. Griffin is a bookkeeper. In 1878, he moved to Melvin, Illinois, and in 1882 to Lincoln, in the same state, his present residence.

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(285) William Lebbeus Griffin (William Pierce, 127, William, Charles, William, Samuel), born 7 February, 1838; married, (1), 23 August, 1868, Salome Rutter, born 20 January, 1840; died 23 March, 1873, of Waynesburg, Ohio; married, (2), 28 July, 1875, Catherine Wilton, born 20 July, 1840, in Macoupin county, Ill., daughter of John Wilton and Margaret Steele, both of Clinton county, Ill.

CHILDREN.

By first wife.

(544) I. Harry Rutter, born 1 August, 1870.

By second wife.

(545) II. Wilton Logan, born 18 September, 1879.

In 1862, William L. Griffin moved from Fayette county, Pa., to Ohio, where he began the study of medicine. He enlisted in the Union army, and served until 1865. In 1868, he moved to Missouri, first to Newport and afterward to Lamar, both in Barton county. He practices medicine in the latter place. He holds to the Baptist faith of his ancestors.

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(286) Charles Altha Griffin (William Pierce, 127, William, Charles, William, Samuel), born 24 March, 1839; married, 23 September, 1868, Eliza Jane Franks, of near Smithfield, Fayette county, Pa.

CHILDREN.

(546) I. Ira, born in 1874.

(547) II. Herbert, born in 1876.

(548) III. Nellie Pearl, born in 1878.

Charles A. Griffin was a soldier in company G, 85th regiment, Pennsylvania volunteers, and was

mustered in 15 October, 1861. He is a grain merchant, and lives in Chanute, Kansas.

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(287) MARY LYDIA GRIFFIN (William Pierce, 127, William, Charles, William, Samuel), born 6 October, 1840; died 27 October, 1874, at Newport, Mo.; married, in 1869, GORDON W. HANNA, died 10 May, 1876, at Sparta, Ohio.

CHILDREN.

(549) I. Edward Hanna, born in 1870; married, in 1894, Lucy Basley.
(550) II. William Herbert Hanna, born in 1872.
(551) III. Emmett Forest Hanna, born in 1874.

After the death of their parents in Missouri, the children were taken under the care of their grandparents in Fayette county, Pa. Edward and Emmett F. Hanna are farmers near Old Frame; William H. is a minister of the Christian faith.

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(288) NEWTON RICHARD GRIFFIN (William Pierce, 127, William, Charles, William, Samuel), born 5 February, 1842; married, 23 September, 1868, MARGARET HESS, of New Geneva, Pa. A farmer, and lives near West Court House, Ohio.

CHILDREN.

(552) I. Charles Elmer, born ——.

(553) II. Frank Loyd, born ——.

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(289) HARRIET ELLEN GRIFFIN (William Pierce, 127, William, Charles, William, Samuel), born 11 February, 1843; married, (1), in 1872, DR. S. D. STURGIS, died in 1875, in Newport, Mo., (2), in 1881, BENJAMIN HARRIS, of Perryopolis, Mo., died December, 1885. After the death of her second husband she returned to Old Frame, Pa.

CHILDREN.

By first husband.

(554) I. Ernest G. Sturgis, born in 1874.

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(290) EMILY RHODA GRIFFIN (William Pierce, 127, William, Charles, William, Samuel), born 21 February, 1845; married CLARK R. HESS, of New Salem, Pa. He is a farmer, and lives near Merrittstown, Pa.

CHILDREN.

(555) I. Myrtie Florence Hess, born 20 July, 1869; married, 23 February, 1893, Charles Garwood. Residence: Brownsville, Pa.

(556) II. Nellie Griffin Hess, born 31 January,

1875; married, 23 June, 1897, John L. Cline. A farmer, and living near Merrittstown, Pa.

(557) III. Stella Gertrude Hess, born 31 January, 1875 (twin with Nellie).

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(291) MARTHA MAGDALEN GRIFFIN (William Pierce, 127, William, Charles, William, Samuel), born 18 July, 1847; died 24 September, 1891; married THOMAS J. SMITH, of Mt. Pleasant, Pa.

CHILDREN.

(558) I. William Smith, born in 1876; living in Uniontown, Pa.

(559) II. Flora Clara Smith, born in 1879.

(560) III. Mary Golden Smith, born in 1886.

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(292) ELIZABETH JANE GRIFFIN (William Pierce, 127, William, Charles, William, Samuel), born 18 July, 1848; married, in 1875, LORENZO DOW RAMSEY. A farmer, and living near Smithfield, Pa.

CHILDREN.

(561) I. Walter Ramsey, born in 1876.

(562) II. Mary Ramsey, born in 1879.

(563) III. Frank Ramsey, born ——.

(564) IV. Alice Ramsey, born ——.

(565) V. Dow Ramsey, born ——.

(293) George Franklin Griffin (William Pierce, 127, William, Charles, William, Samuel), born 21 April, 1852; married Josephine Lobingier, of Mt. Pleasant, Pa. A farmer, living near Old Frame, Pa.

CHILDREN.

(566) I. John, born in 1879; died in 1896.
(567) II. Clement, born in 1881; died in 1897.
(568) III. William, born ——.
(569) IV. Clark, born ——.
(570) V. Merle, born ——.
(571) VI. Frances, born ——.

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(295) Annie Belle Griffin (William Pierce, 127, William, Charles, William, Samuel), born 28 May, 1854; married, in 1879, John H. Emory, of Morris Cross Roads, Pa. A farmer, living near Old Frame, Fayette county, Pa.

CHILDREN.

(572) I. Evaline Emory, born in 1882.
(573) II. Pearl Emory, born in 1884.

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(296) Addie Maria Griffin (William Pierce, 127, William, Charles, William, Samuel), born 5 June, 1857; died 21 April, 1886; married, in 1885, James Palmer, of New Salem, Pa.

CHILDREN.

(574) I. Charles Harrie Palmer, born in 1886.

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(297) Flora May Griffin (William Pierce, 127, William, Charles, William, Samuel), born 27 July, 1859; married, in 1889, Alvin West, of Smithfield, Pa. A farmer.

CHILDREN.

(575) I. Edith West, born in 1890.
(576) II. Ellen West, born in 1892.
(577) III. William West, born in 1894.
(578) IV. Charles West, born in 1897.

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(302) James Price Lamb (Ann, 133, Sarah, William, William, Samuel), born 6 December, 1829; married, 2 October, 1855, Sarah Elizabeth Fox, daughter of William and Elizabeth Husbands Fox, of Little Creek hundred, Kent county, Del.

CHILDREN.

(579) I. Mary Lamb, born ——; married Dr. William W. Parvis. She is a widow, resides in Dover, and has three children living, one of whom, Neva L. Parvis, married James William Joseph.

(580) II. Georgiana Lamb, born ——; married Isaac Sinex, of near Blackiston Cross Roads. She is a widow.

(581) III. Elizabeth Fox Lamb, born ——.

(582) IV. Margaret S. Lamb, born ——.

(583) V. Clara Rebecca Lamb, born ——; married William H. Ferguson, of Philadelphia.

James P. Lamb was born on the Scotten farm, near Kenton, Kent county, Del. He obtained his education at the public school of Blackiston Cross Roads and at the Newark Academy. For fifteen years he taught school during the winter months and worked at farming in the summers. After he ceased teaching he purchased the estate of his father-in-law in Little Creek hundred, where he resides. (From "Biographical and Genealogical History of Delaware.")

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(321) Jacob Campbell (Hannah, 142, Jacob Stout, David, William, Samuel), born 9 April, 1834, in Preble county, Ohio; married, 14 March, 1871, at Camden, Ohio, Clara Jane Elder, born 31 December, 1846, in Warren county, Ohio, daughter of John H. Elder (born 25 August, 1814) and Lydia Anne Robinson (of New Jersey).

CHILDREN.

(584) I. Boyce Elder Campbell, born 28 December, 1871; married, 11 August, 1897, Hulda Lindell. Residence: Kansas City, Mo.

(585) II. Anna May Campbell, born 2 May, 1874; married, 13 October, 1892, Edgar S. Wood. Residence: Minneapolis, Kansas.

(586) III. Ward Griffin Campbell, born 4 June, 1876.

(587) IV. Bertha Stout Campbell, born 2 October, 1879.

(588) V. John Jacob Campbell, born 1 April, 1882.

Jacob Campbell moved to Ottawa county, Kansas, in 1867, and there all his children were born.

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(326) CHARLES CAMPBELL (Hannah, 142, Jacob Stout, David, William, Samuel), born 9 February, 1844, in Preble county, Ohio; married, 24 October, 1871, in Preble county, CAROLINE E. WEAR, born 24 May, 1852, in Butler county, Ohio, daughter of Martin L. Wear (born 12 January, 1815, in Butler county, Ohio) and Elizabeth A. Tomson (born 25 December, 1818, in Butler county, Ohio).

CHILDREN.

(589) I. Clayton Martin Campbell, born 12 December, 1875; married, 24 December, 1896, Ethel Morton. Residence: Minneapolis, Kansas.

(590) II. Griffin Campbell, born 23 October, 1886.

Charles Campbell is a farmer. He moved from Ohio to Kansas in 1877.

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(327) HANNAH MARIA BURNS (Hannah, 142, Jacob Stout, David, William, Samuel), born 6 August, 1847, in Camden, Preble county, Ohio; married, 25 December, 1866, in Camden, Ohio, JOHN I. BROWN, born 17 July, 1843.

CHILDREN.

(591) I. Willard Robert Brown, born 19 February, 1868; married, 22 November, 1894, Claba Shilling. Residence: Lundy, Kansas.

(592) II. Raymond Griffin Brown, born 21 November, 1872; married, 11 April, 1898, Alice May Haley. Residence: Delphos, Kansas.

John I. Brown is a farmer. He moved to Kansas from Ohio in 1870.

(340) PRISCILLA CREGMILE (Eleanor, 144, Jacob Stout, David, William, Samuel), born 2 June, 1838; died 23 December, 1873; married, 13 October, 1864, ANDREW JACKSON PORT.

CHILDREN.

(593) I. Morton Samuel Port, born 7 August, 1865.

(594) II. Gipsie Port, born 30 April, 1868.

(595) III. Carl Cregmile Port, born 11 June, 1871.

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(341) MARY CREGMILE (Eleanor, 144, Jacob Stout, David, William, Samuel), born 9 January, 1841; married, 23 May, 1866, GUSTAVE PETERS.

CHILDREN.

(596) I. John Peters, born 30 May, 1869.

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(343) CRITTENDEN CREGMILE (Eleanor, 144, Jacob Stout, David, William, Samuel), born 17 September, 1845; married, 6 November, 1868, MARGARET ANN SCOTT.

CHILDREN.

(597) I. Raymond Cregmile, born 2 April, 1872; died 9 March, 1874.

(598) II. Ellis M. Cregmile, born 14 February, 1882.

(344) WILEY MANGUM CREGMILE (Eleanor, 144, Jacob Stout, David, William, Samuel), born 21 March, 1848; married, 8 October, 1884, CAROLINE VERKAMP.

CHILDREN.

(599) I. Caroline Eleanor Cregmile, born ——.
(600) II. Marguerite Cregmile, born ——.
(601) III. Frederick Cregmile, born ——.
(602) IV. Pauline Cregmile, born ——.
(603) V. John Griffin Cregmile, born ——.

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(346) LAURA CREGMILE (Eleanor, 144, Jacob Stout, David, William, Samuel), born 4 June, 1852; married, 23 December, 1885, CHARLES BROWNING SMITH.

CHILDREN.

(604) I. Lois Eleanor Smith, born 25 November, 1886; died 28 November, 1888.
(605) II. Kathryn June Smith, born 1 June, 1889.

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(348) HARRIET CREGMILE (Eleanor, 144, Jacob Stout, David, William, Samuel), born 19 March, 1858; married CHARLES BURROUGHS KEPLER.

CHILDREN.

(606) I. Ada Kepler, born 17 March, 1876.

(607) II. Gustave Kepler, born 14 December, 1880.

(608) III. Mabel Kepler, born 28 July, 1887.

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(349) CAROLINE CREGMILE (Eleanor, 144, Jacob Stout, David, William, Samuel), born 6 November, 1860; married, 26 February, 1882, JOHN MITCHELL WOOD.

CHILDREN.

(609) I. Joseph Raymond Wood, born 23 February, 1883.

(610) II. James Wiley Wood, born – April, 18—.

(611) III. Lulu Wood, born 3 July, 1889.

(612) IV. Gipsie Olivia Wood, born – September, 18—.

(613) V. Ruth Wood, born 15 April, 18—.

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(355) HIRAM D. GRIFFIN (Nathaniel Howard, 157, Nathaniel, George, William, Samuel), born 24 September, 1867; married, 18 January, 1893, JULIA F. CLEAVER, widow of Charles S. Boyd, of Philadelphia, daughter of Joseph Cleaver and Catherine Biddle, both of St. George's hundred, New Castle county.

CHILDREN.

(614) I. Hiram Cleaver, born 11 October, 1893.

Hiram D. Griffin was Superintendent of Free Schools of New Castle Co.

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(368) MARY BROADAWAY (Ann, 163, Mary, Mary, William, Samuel), born 3 July, 1804; died 14 February, 1852; married EZEKIEL COOPER, born in 1799, died 6 October, 1846, son of Thomas Cooper and Catherine Lowber.

CHILDREN.

(615) I. Thomas Broadaway Cooper, born 6 April, 1821; died 10 May, 1893; married Emily Marvel.

(616) II. Robert Broadaway Cooper, born 9 September, 1823; married Mary Procter Hawkins.

(617) III. Peter Stout Cooper, born 1 February, 1826; married Elizabeth Gooden (widow Cooper).

(618) IV. Sarah Ann Cooper, born 13 September, 1831; married Alexander Frazer.

(619) V. Caroline Cooper, born 1 May, 1834; married John Sherwood.

(620) VI. William Cooper, born 1 May, 1834 (twin with Caroline); died ——.

(621) VII. Richard Broadaway Cooper, born 24 August, 1836; married Mary Fletcher Sherwood.

(622) VIII. Isaac Broadaway Cooper, born ——.

(623) IX. Catherine Lowber Cooper, born 21 June 1840; married William Tennessee Gooden.

(624) X. Ignatius Ezekiel Cooper, born 10 October, 1842; married Margaret Poole.

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(369) Ambrose Broadaway (Ann, 163, Mary, Mary, William, Samuel), born 4 April, 1806; died 25 June, 1879; married, 2 May, 1833, Ann Watson, born 12 February, 1811, died 13 September, 1851, daughter of Benjamin Watson and Margaret Campbell.

CHILDREN.

(625) I. Margaret Watson Broadaway, born 12 August, 1834; married, (1), Isaac L. Cohee, (2), 6 January, 1858, John W. Parvis.

(626) II. William Broadaway, born 19 November, 1835; married Susan Sherwood.

(627) III. Emily Broadaway, born 3 February, 1837; married Whitely William Meredith.

(628) IV. Charles Wesley Broadaway, born 19 April, 1838; died 15 January, 1846.

(629) V. Susannah Broadaway, born 18 Septem-

ber, 1839; married Peter Knotts Meredith.

(630) VI. Robert Broadaway, born 5 October, 1840; died 27 April, 1845.

(631) VII. Elizabeth Ann Broadaway, born 17 January, 1842; married John Cooper Gooden.

(632) VIII. Isabel Broadaway, born 20 May, 1843; married Henry Moore Dager.

(633) IX. Amanda Malvina Broadaway, born 13 August, 1844; married Walter Booker.

(634) X. Rachel Broadaway, born 24 September, 1846; died 16 January, 1848.

(635) XI. Ambrose Broadaway, born 10 December, 1849; died 12 September, 1851.

(636) XII. Watson Broadaway, born 13 September, 1851; married Mary Clark.

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(370) Sarah Ann Broadaway (Ann, 163, Mary, Mary, William, Samuel), born 9 August, 1809; died ——; married, 26 January, 1832, Thomas Jefferson Marvel, born 15 May, 1809, died 22 February, 1895, son of David Marvel and Elizabeth Gilder (daughter of Henry).

CHILDREN.

(637) I. Elizabeth Marvel, born 4 December, 1832; married Vincent Emerson.

(638) II. Robert B. Marvel, born 23 December, 1833.

(639) III. William Berry Marvel, born 29 June, 1836; married Mary Powell.

(640) IV. Elphonsie Marvel, born 27 October, 1838; died 12 October, 1869.

(641) V. Ellen Marvel, born 19 September, 1840; died 27 February, 1859.

(642) VI. Thomas Jefferson Marvel, born 23 November, 1842; died 23 February, 1853.

(643) VII. Sarah Ann Marvel, born 7 February, 1845; died 18 November, 1846.

(644) VIII. Philena Marvel, born 9 September, 1846; married Hezekiah Tarman Baxter.

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(372) GERTRUDE LOCKWOOD (Ann, 163, Mary, Mary, William, Samuel), born 19 January, 1817; died 23 February, 1895; married, 11 April, 1843, JOHN ASBURY STEVENSON, born 6 April, 1821, died 10 December, 1876, son of Thomas Stevenson.

CHILDREN.

(645) I. Annie Stevenson, born 14 January, 1844; died 8 April, 1846.

(646) II. Thomas Lockwood Stevenson, born 18 June, 1845; married ——.

(647) III. Gertrude Stevenson, born 27 April, 1847; married ——.

(648) IV. Mary Quinalley Stevenson, born 10 August, 1850; died 31 July, 1851.

(649) V. Sarah Quinalley Stevenson, born 17 September, 1853; married ——.

(650) VI. Madeline Stevenson, born 16 December, 1855; died 26 June, 1857.

(651) VII. Elizabeth Robinson Stevenson, born 26 November, 1857; married ——.

(652) VIII. Virginia Jump Stevenson, born 27 December, 1859; married ——.

(653) IX. John Edwin Stevenson, born 12 December, 1865; married ——.

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(373) Miriam Lockwood (Ann, 163, Mary, Mary, William, Samuel), born 24 February, 1818; died 4 October, 1860; married, 6 August, 1844, Ezekiel Bullock Clements, born 31 August, 1814, died 2 July, 1871, son of Thomas Clements and Mary Bullock.

CHILDREN.

(654) I. Laura Lockwood Clements, born 10 August, 1845; married ——.

(655) II. David Marvel Clements, born 15 March, 1847; married ——.

(656) III. Leonard Clements, born 24 November, 1848.

(657) IV. Emma Clements, born 26 March, 1850; married ——.

(658) V. Ann Berry Clements, born 3 August, 1852; married Charles P. Lockwood (663).

(659) VI. Ezekiel Bullock Clements, born 3 September, 1854.

(660) VII. Ella Clements, born 17 February, 1857; died 12 March, 1864.

(661) VIII. John Lockwood Clements, born 18 April, 1860; died 2 July, 1860.

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(374) John Durborough Lockwood (Ann, 163, Mary, Mary, William, Samuel), born 19 August, 1820; died 13 November, 1856; married, 14 January, 1847, Mary Ann Seney, died 22 April, 1855.

CHILDREN.

(662) I. Charles Pitman Lockwood, born ——; died 24 March, 1849.

(663) II. Charles Pitman Lockwood, born 15 August, 1849; married Ann B. Clements (658).

(664) III. —— Gerry Lockwood, born 17 September, 1850; died 1 February, 1855.

(665) IV. Edward Lockwood, born 24 May, 1852; died 25 January, 1855.

(381) JOHN WARREN (Benjamin, 168, Elizabeth, Owen, Samuel, Samuel), born 1 March, 1809; died 8 January, 1852; married MARGARET ANN LINDALE, born 12 April, 1817. She married, (2), JAMES KNIGHT.

CHILDREN.

(666) I. Susan E. Warren, born in 1843; unmarried.

(667) II. Annie Warren, born ——; married, (1), Philemon Green, (2), John Caleb Voshell.

John Warren was a farmer, and lived near Hazlettville, Delaware.

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(382) ELIZABETH PAINTER WARREN (Benjamin, 168, Elizabeth, Owen, Samuel, Samuel), born 28 April, 1811; died July, 1881; married, 10 January, 1830, WILLIAM B. HARRINGTON.

CHILDREN.

(668) I. Warren Harrington, born ——.

(669) II. Ann Warren Harrington, born 20 August, 1835; died 12 January, 1897; married Anthony Cohee.

(670) III. Alexander L. Harrington, born ——.

(671) IV. John W. Harrington, born ——.

This record is taken from the "Biographical and Genealogical History of Delaware."

(383) George Rodney Warren (Benjamin, 168, Elizabeth, Owen, Samuel, Samuel), born 19 May, 1814; died 6 January, 1884; married Mary Jane Laws, born 24 February, 1820, daughter of John May Laws, M. D.

CHILDREN.

(672) I. Georgianna Warren, born 28 August, 1842; died 8 November, 1843.

(673) II. George Luff Warren, born 21 May, 1846; married, 28 August, 1866, Minnie Reid.

(674) III. Thomas Ellwood Warren, born 5 November, 1848; married, 4 September, 1873, Mary E. Salwair.

(675) IV. John Laws Warren, born 2 February, 1851; married, 17 August, 1869, Hannah Jane Greenly.

(676) V. Garrett Luff Warren, born 14 September, 1854; died 3 March, 1855.

(677) VI. Sarah Clark Warren, born 16 July, 1857; died 8 August, 1857.

(678) VII. Benjamin Clark Warren, born 24 July, 1859; married, 13 May, 1885, Mary Stewart Benson.

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(384) Elizabeth Warren (Samuel, 169, Elizabeth, Owen, Samuel, Samuel), born 1 April, 1807;

died ——; married WILLIAM HIRONS, son of Mark Hirons, of Kent county.

CHILDREN.

(679) I. Robert Samuel Warren Hirons, born ——; died ——; married —— Black.

(680) II. Miriam Elizabeth Hirons, born ——; died ——; married John Fisher.

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(386) CHARLES WARREN (Samuel, 169, Elizabeth, Owen, Samuel, Samuel), born 5 October, 1817; died 7 May, 1868; married, January, 1840, SARAH ANN WHITE, born March, 1820, died 3 June, 1898, daughter of John White, of Kent county.

CHILDREN.

(681) I. John White Warren, born ——; died February, 1897; unmarried. John W. Warren was a physician, and was a graduate from the Medical Department of the University of Pennsylvania in 1871. He practiced his profession at Hollandville, Kent county, Del.

(682) II. Angelica Warren, born ——; married —— Derrickson.

(683) III. Eugenia Warren, born ——.

(684) IV. Florence Warren, born ——.
(685) V. Ida Warren, born ——.
(686) VI. Ina Warren, born ——.
(687) VII. Charles S. Warren, born ——.
(688) VIII. Albert W. Warren, born ——.
(689) IX. Ella Warren, born ——.
(690) X. Cora Warren, born ——.

Charles Warren was a farmer, and lived five miles west of Felton.

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(388) MARY WARREN (Samuel, 169, Elizabeth, Owen, Samuel, Samuel), born 31 December, 1820; married CHARLES H. B. DAY, born 25 May, 1828, in West Dover hundred.

CHILDREN.

(691) I. Almeda Day, born ——.
(692) II. Ruthanna Day, born ——.
(693) III. Emma Day, born ——.

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(393) ABIGAIL ELIZABETH WARREN (Charles, 174, Elizabeth, Owen, Samuel, Samuel), born ——; died 15 April, 1889; married, 13 June, 1861, WILLIAM GIBSON ARLINGTON BONWILL, born 4 October, 1833, son of William Moore Bonwill, of Camden, Delaware, and Louisa Mason Baggs (widow of Dr. Ezekiel Cooper).

CHILDREN.

(694) I. Lenora Bonwill, born 23 March, 1862; married Caleb J. Milne.

(695) II. Madeleine Bonwill, born 11 January, 1864; married Edward I. Gellatly.

(696) III. Edward Warren Bonwill, born 9 February, 1869; married, 1897, in Rangoon, India, where he practices the profession of dentistry.

William G. A. Bonwill began the practice of dentistry in Dover in 1854. He is a man of great mechanical ingenuity. It is said that he has "been the inventor of more practical appliances in dentistry than all others." In 1871, he moved to Philadelphia to develop his inventions. Among them may be mentioned the Dental Engine, the Surgical Engine, the Electro-magnetic Mallet, the Mechanical Mallet, the Safety Pointed Pin, and the Fountain Pen.

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(401) Thomas Stewart Harper (Elizabeth, 175, Elizabeth, Owen, Samuel, Samuel), born 23 August, 1823; died 28 March, 1882; married, 1 November, 1844, Elizabeth Hazel, died 6 January, 1896, daughter of James Hazel and Margaret Kirkley.

CHILDREN.

(697) I. Warren Harper, born 21 July, 1846;

married Annie Davidson, of Philadelphia, Pa.

(698) II. Joseph Henry Harper, born 14 July, 1850; married Elizabeth Pratt.

(699) III. Elizabeth Harper, born 13 February, 1853; unmarried.

(700) IV. Thomas Harper, born 9 August, 1855; married Anna C. Anderson.

(701) V. Laura Harper, born 26 August, 1857; married Dr. Jesse Godley, of Trenton, N. J.

(702) VI. Margaret Harper, born 6 June, 1860; married Frank W. Harrold.

(703) VII. William B. Harper, born 4 October, 1863; died young.

Thomas S. Harper was born near Leipsic, and died in Dover. He began his business career, which he followed for several years, as a merchant. He afterwards engaged in farming. In 1863, he enlisted in company F, Sixth Delaware regiment. He was afterwards appointed first lieutenant of his company. After his military service, he was, successively, a commission merchant at Philadelphia, during the fruit season, a teller of the First National Bank of Dover, and, a second time, merchant. At the time of his death he was U. S. mail agent between Philadelphia and Crisfield, Maryland. All his children were born in, or near, Leipsic.

(406) MARY PATTERSON (Samuel, 178, Thomas, Rachel, Samuel, Samuel), born 9 May, 1819; died 13 March, 1905; married, 13 August, 1839, JAMES SEVERSON TRUAX, born 22 September, 1811, died 23 May, 1887, son of Isaac Truax and Susan Severson (latter, born 16 July, 1770, died in 1848).

CHILDREN.

(704) I. John Severson Truax, born in 1840, died 16 April, 1868; married Sarah Hargadine.

(705) II. Isaac Truax, born 19 December, 1841; married Sarah Truax.

(706) III. Susanna Truax, born 14 December, 1844; died 21 June, 1877; married Joseph S. Bradley.

(707) IV. James Thomas Truax, born 17 August, 1845; married Mary E. Nelson.

(708) V. Samuel Patterson Truax, born 8 March, 1847; married Elizabeth Mitchell.

(709) VI. Benjamin Franklin Truax, born 1 December, 1848; married Rachel Reynolds.

(710) VII. Mary Emily Truax, born 30 January, 1851; married William E. Riggs, Jr.

(711) VIII. William George Truax, born 28 March, 1853; married Amanda Davis.

(712) IX. Robert Lewis Truax, born 3 June, 1855; married Laura Roberts.

(713) X. Sarah Elizabeth Truax, born 1 October, 1858; died 4 August, 1864.

(714) XI. Lovenia Riggs Truax, born 12 April, 1860; married G. R. Lofland.

James S. Truax was a farmer. He was born and died in Smyrna, and was married in Kenton, Delaware.

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(416) David Rees Griffin (Jacob Rotheram, 185, John, Samuel, Samuel, Samuel), born ——; died in 1849; married, 21 June, 1846, Margaret Upchurch, of Benton, Franklin county, Illinois.

In 1847, David Rees Griffin moved with his wife to Dubuque, Iowa. In 1848, in company with his father-in-law, he went to California, and died there the following year. His wife died shortly afterward. He left no children.

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(417) Mary Elizabeth Griffin (Jacob Rotheram, 185, John, Samuel, Samuel, Samuel), born 25 December, 1819; died 13 December, 1881; married, 20 November, 1842, Edward Streets, born 29 September, 1814, died 3 September, 1882, son of Jacob Streets and Matilda Hale.

CHILDREN.

(715) I. Jacob Griffin Streets, born 17 Febru-

ary, 1845; married, 21 April, 1874, Harriet Newell Brooks.

(716) II. Thomas Hale Streets, born 20 November, 1847; married, 7 September, 1875, Priscilla Walker.

(717) III. Samuel Griffin Streets, born 7 September, 1850; died 27 September, 1868.

(718) IV. William Eliason Streets, born 25 October, 1853; died 10 July, 1858.

(719) V. David Rees Streets, born 3 August, 1856; married Caroline E. Carll.

(720) VI. Edward Streets, born 29 March, 1859; married Susan Shahan.

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(418) Angelica Griffin (Jacob Rotheram, 185, John, Samuel, Samuel, Samuel), born August, 1821; married William Evans.

CHILDREN.

(721) I. Margaret Deborah Evans, born ——.

(722) II. William Evans, born ——.

(723) III. Susan Rees Evans, born ——; married —— Harrington.

(724) IV. Charles B. Evans, born ——; married Clara Stevens.

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(419) Laura Griffin (Jacob Rotheram, 185, John, Samuel, Samuel, Samuel), born 10 August, 1851; married Henry Price.

CHILDREN.

(725) I. Clara Bewley Price, born ——.

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(420) MARY GRIFFIN (Samuel, 186, John, Samuel, Samuel, Samuel), born 8 October, 1824, married, 23 June, 1847, HYNSON WOOLEYHAN, born in 1812, died 22 May, 1877, son of James Wooleyhan and Margaret Jiner, of Kent Island, Queen Anne county, Maryland.

CHILDREN.

(726) I. Lydia Frances Wooleyhan, born 4 April, 1849, at Templeville, Caroline county, Md.; died in 1892, near Earleville, Cecil county, Md.; married Edward A. Bailey.

(727) II. Ann Elizabeth Wooleyhan, born 13 May, 1851, at Sudlersville, Queen Anne county, Md.; married, (1), Thomas Lambdin, (2), Robert Davis, of Earleville, Md.

(728) III. Joseph Hynson Wooleyhan, born 11 January, 1854; married, (1), Mary Davis, (2), Rebecca Newton.

(729) IV. John Thomas Wooleyhan, born 27 January, 1856; married, 24 January, 1878, Rachel Hevalow.

(730) V. William Fletcher Wooleyhan, born 29

July, 1859; married, 1882, Jennie Walmsley.

(731) VI. Sarah Catherine Wooleyhan, born 11 September, 1862; married Charles Davis.

(732) VII. Susan George Wooleyhan, born October, 1864; died 15 October, 1888; married George Daniels.

Hynson Wooleyhan was a farmer. He was born on Kent Island, and died near Earleville, Cecil county, Maryland. The family are still residents of that part of the Eastern Shore.

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(421) John Rees Griffin (Samuel, 186, John, Samuel, Samuel, Samuel), born 8 January, 1826, near Smyrna, Delaware; died 29 January, 1897, at Hillsboro, Maryland; married, 8 July, 1851, Rachel George, born 28 April, 1830, near Frederica, Delaware, daughter of Joseph George (born 24 November, 1800) and Mary Townsend (born 9 February, 1801).

CHILDREN.

(733) I. Mary, born in 1852; died young.

(734) II. John Howard, born 24 December, 1854; married Ida Lord.

(735) III. Wilber, born in 1856; died young.

(736) IV. Samuel, born 22 April, 1858; married Annie Smith.

(737) V. Virginia, born 22 April, 1858 (twin with Samuel).

(738) VI. Julia, born 4 December, 1860; married Charles Stoops.

(739) VII. Joseph George, born 3 January, 1862.

(740) VIII. Abraham Lincoln, born 8 February, 1864; died 7 March, 1890.

(741) IX. Rachel Snow, born 19 February, 1867; married Wilbur Rolph.

(742) X. Annie Hamilton, born 21 March, 1870.

(743) XI. Charles Green, born 21 March, 1872; married Mary Evitts.

(744) XII. James Francis, born 20 February, 1876.

John R. Griffin was a farmer, and for many years lived on Raymond's Neck, below Smyrna. During the Civil War he served in the Sixth regiment of Delaware infantry. He was mustered out of service at Smyrna, 22 August, 1863, as the sergeant of company F, of his regiment. After the war he moved to Caroline county, Maryland, where the four youngest of his children were born.

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(422) Sarah Elizabeth Griffin (Samuel, 186, John, Samuel, Samuel, Samuel), born 4 December,

1831; died 18 November, 1896, in Smyrna; married, (1), 20 January, 1852, JOSEPH H. SAVIN, a farmer, who died 26 October, 1853; (2), 12 November, 1857, JAMES HENRY PRATT, died 3 December, 1877, son of Nathan Pratt and Nancy Schaeffer.

CHILDREN.

By first husband.

(745) I. Samuel Griffin Savin, born 20 November, 1852; died 9 June, 1855.

By second husband.

(746) II. Mary Elizabeth Pratt, born 22 August, 1858; died 20 September, 1882.

(747) III. James Francis Pratt, born 11 April, 1861; married, 20 September, 1894, Catherine Thompson, of Philadelphia, Pa.

(748) IV. Samuel Griffin Pratt, born 27 September, 1863; died 19 January, 1898.

(749) V. Joseph Savin Pratt, born 3 June, 1866; died 18 March, 1891.

(750) VI. Lydia (Lillian) Hazel Pratt, born 15 June, 1869; married, 24 September, 1901, Howard Davis Taylor.

(751) VII. Sarah Denny Pratt, born 14 March, 1873.

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(426) GEORGIANNA GRIFFIN (Samuel, 186, John,

Samuel, Samuel, Samuel), born 30 July, 1841; married, 11 December, 1866, THOMAS ALSTON REES, born 25 September, 1839, son of John Ringgold Rees and Elizabeth Ann Sevil.

CHILDREN.

(752) I. Annie Elizabeth Rees, born 2 February, 1868; died 21 July, 1886.

(753) II. Ralph Howard Rees, born 31 January, 1871; married, 27 November, 1895, Elizabeth Woolford.

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